BI-CENTENNIAL DELPHIAN

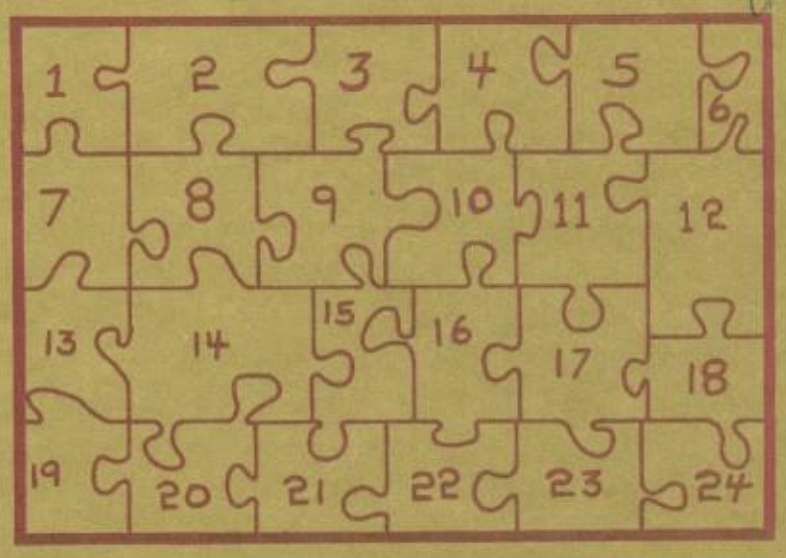
1976

Cindy,
Sweet girl that I am really glad to know. Kept in touch with me in the years to come. Good Luck on June 8th our last day doing anything for this school. Take Care of yourself.
"76"
Your Friend Always
Brenda DePouw

The 1976 Bi-Centennial Delphian Yearbook Cover: Picture 1: Members of the Central High Football Team 2: The Central High Women's Softball Team 3: Cindy Hamilton, Karen Burns, Sue Penny, Rick Atkins, Cindy Gulbronsen 4: Tom Johnson, Mr. Ettwein 5: Dick Powell 6: Steve Redden 7: Rick Atkins, Craig Rowekamp, Greg Raklovits, Tim Grimwis 8: Kellee Walton, Jackie Chambers 9: Mr. Banghart, Al Wallace 10: Scene from "Kiss Me Kate" — Debbie Sweringa, Paul Nedervelt, Gina Ferraro, Valerie Lake 11: Benson Isaac, Albert Little, Tim Clysdale, Charles Brandon 12: Kay Barstow 13: The Central High Orchestra 14: Kim Rizzo, Ginger Lund, Laurie Rohs, Debbie Keene, Allison Marsh 15: Johnathon Schuck 16: Don Knoechel 17: Jennifer Bogart 18: Sarah Combs and Pierre Robert in "Kiss Me Kate" 19: Robert Long 20: Kathy DeGroat 21: Mr. Evans (Student Teacher) 22: Jim Marsh, Steve Smith 23: Christy Jones, Wendy Maxwell, Marcia Nieuwenhuis 24: Coach Vern Davis and Central Football Players.

Cindy,
Its been really fun having you in Steno I know you enjoyed the class as much as I did. All I can say is that I am glad it is all over with. (I can't believe it) I hope you have fun this summer and maybe I will see you in court some time. (court reporting) Good Luck!!

Lynetta McDermott
Secretary to Raymond Wilson



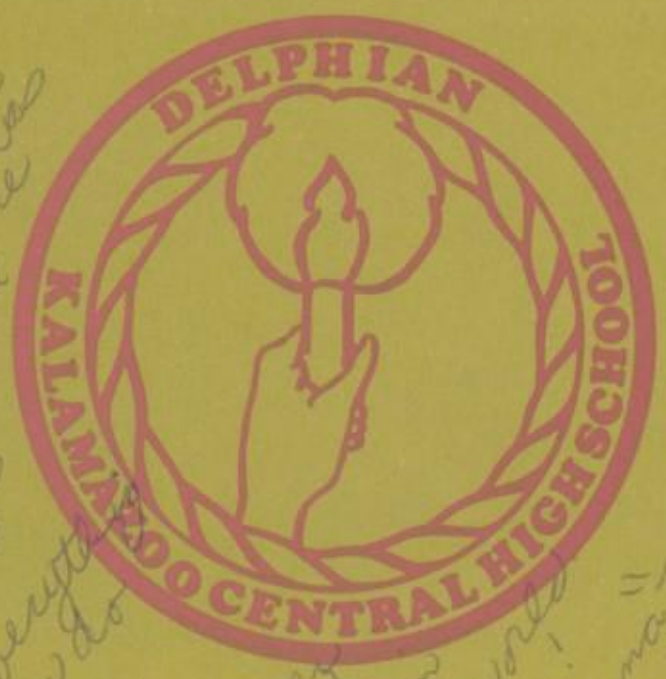
To Cindy,
even though I met ya last year Sue just come to know ya this year and boy are you weird! (only kidding) You've been a great help in this Grammar class. Best of everything in the future.
Kim Johnson

Cindy
To a really
sweet girl
Always Remember
the shorthand
class that we
were in together
& congratulations
on your 130 take
Wish I wish I was
that I fast. The
best of luck
to you
always
in
everything
you do
Have
Fun
this
summer
& good
luck in
the job world
See ya!
Anna '76

Cindy
Well don't forget 820
so you can come up &
see me. Maybe we
can go out to lunch
some times. Hope to
see ya soon & good luck
this summer.
(I ran out of room) Mary Walters

Love,
Kath
'76

Cindy,
The last year of school is finally coming
to an end. Rah! Rah! (no Kath you're not all
cheerleader). Remember all the wonderful times we
had in shorthand (both years, all that work)
How about last year in Mr. Younge class? Maybe
I shouldn't remind you (that man sure was
demo!) I still can't believe it, the last year. 13 years
of being stuck in a prison (if I don't start cracking
some books before exams it could be 14) Boy, do I
hate signing yearbooks, as you probably know by
the queer things I said. Good luck in the future
with everything; and if you ever forget me (which
you better not) just glance on the back of this book.
And I am there, (in the sentimental picture) you the
little grimy troll face me. Good Luck
Cin!



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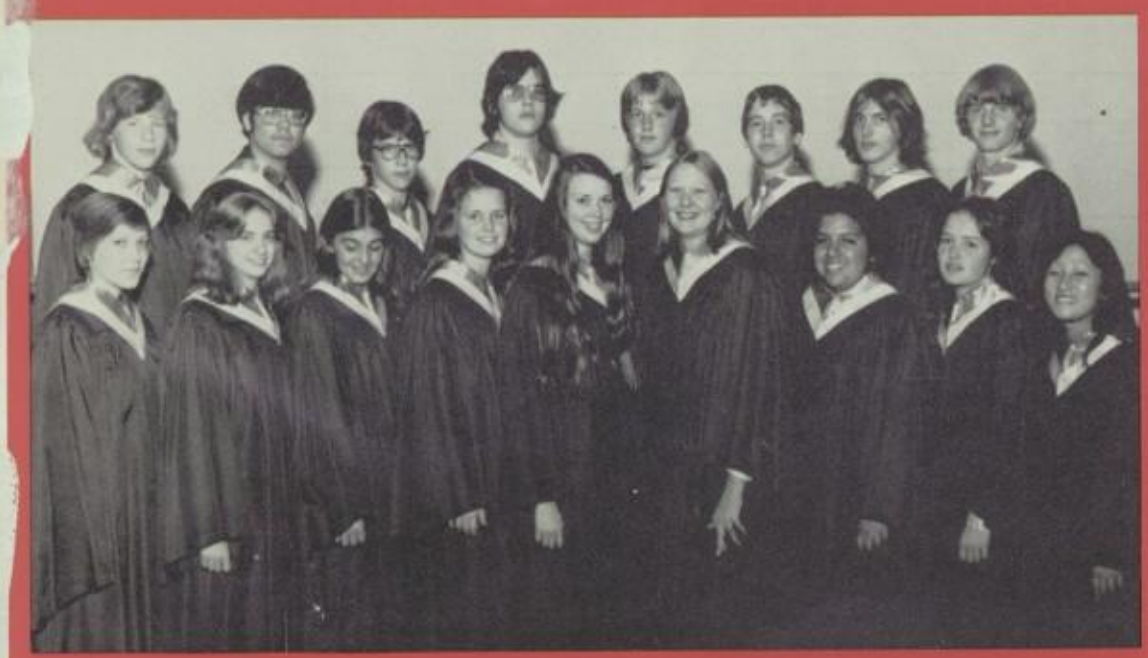

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Central High Bi-Centennial — 1976

"KISS ME KATE"

A Shakespearean "play within a play" is the basis for the Cole Porter musical comedy, which came to the stage of Chenery Auditorium March 21 and 22, 1975.

Eric Dewey portrayed Fred Grahm, actor, director, ex-husband of the "shrew" Lilli Vanessi, played by Pam Yarger. Sara Combs as Lois Lane and her sidekick Bill, played by Pierre Robert, were the second leads for the show.

Bob Dewey served as drama consultant, Dennis Ettwein directed set construction and crew, with Jill Halperin choreographing, Ron Teare directing the orchestra and Ester Reigel as vocal director.

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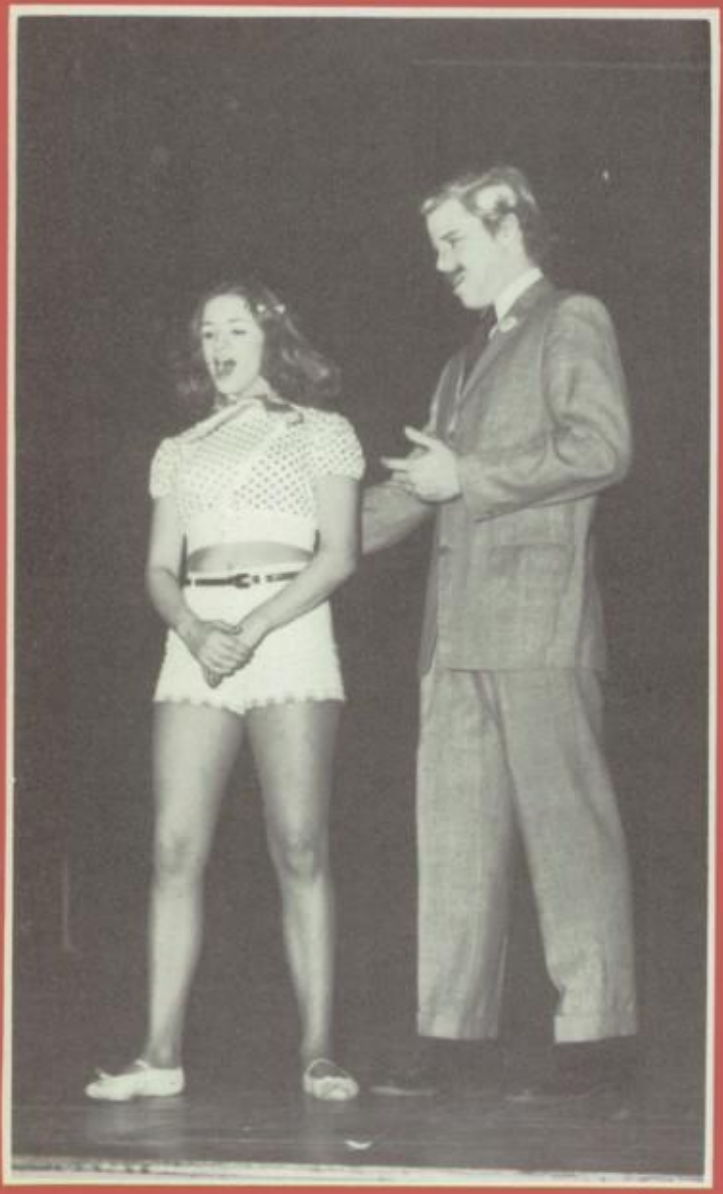

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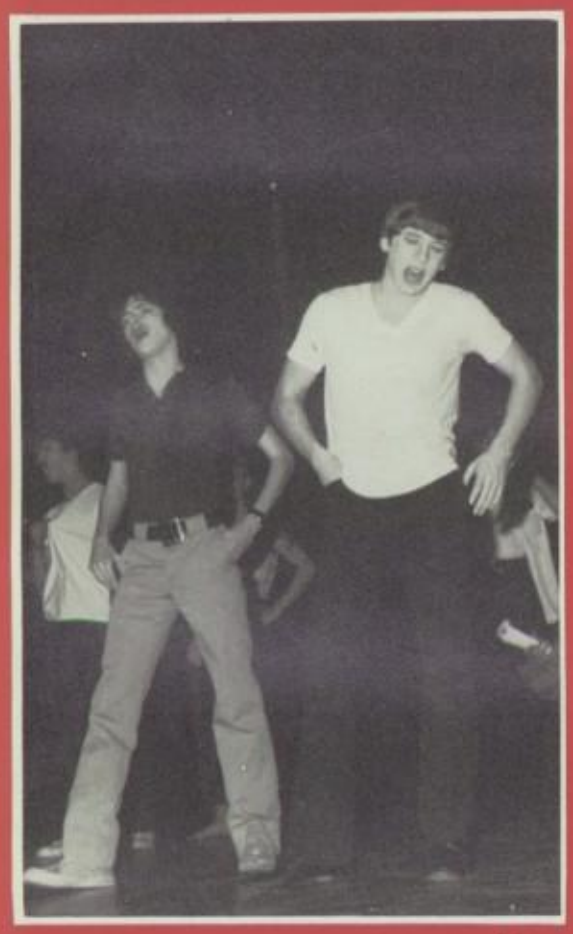

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Page 5, Picture 1: Marsha Bailey, Kathy TenCate, Rhonda Miller, Kathey Barlowe, Dave Duke, Linda Richter, Sara Combs, Pierre Robert. Picture 4: Eric Dewey. Picture 5: Linda Richter, Nancy Appel, Sarah Bailey, Marsha Bailey, Deb Sweringa, Valerie Lake, Michelle Miller, Laura Nordin. Picture 6: Jeff Lane, Bill Willson.

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An Orchestra Helps

The Central High School Orchestra supports its school's musical productions. 45 members strong this year, the pit orchestra of KCHS played Cole Porter's musical score in the combined orchestral and choral production of "Kiss Me Kate" March 21 and 22, 1975.

With the inspired direction of Ronald Teare, the KCHS concert Orchestra also performs their own concerts, such as the one on April 22, 1975, in the Civic Auditorium, and also participates in the Maroon and White Revue and the Christmas concert each year.

Page 6, Picture 1: Sarah Wilson, Diane Rulis, Cindy Finman, Ronald Selner. 2: Tissie Wichman, Mr. Teare. 3: Tissie Wichman, Mr. Teare, Sarah Wilson, Diana Rulis. 4: Pat Hunt, Judy Houser. 5: Diane Parker. Page 7, Picture 1: Julie Hill. 2: Pat Hunt, Judy Houser. 3: Kim Misera, Diane Parker. 4: Pit Orchestra. 5: Molly Julian. 6: Jennifer Bogart, Trip Rundman, Tom Cole.

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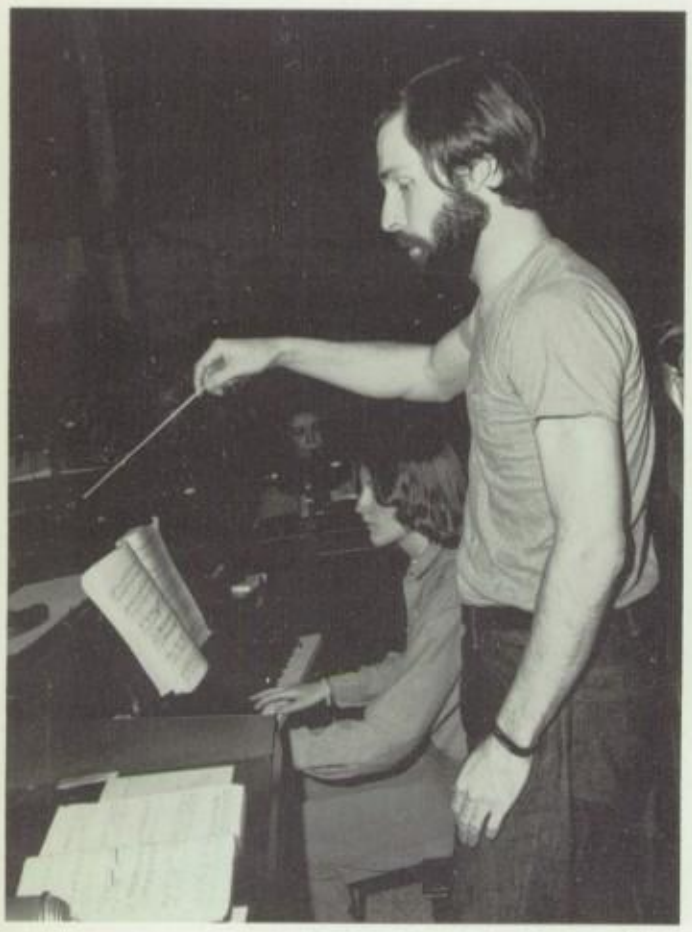

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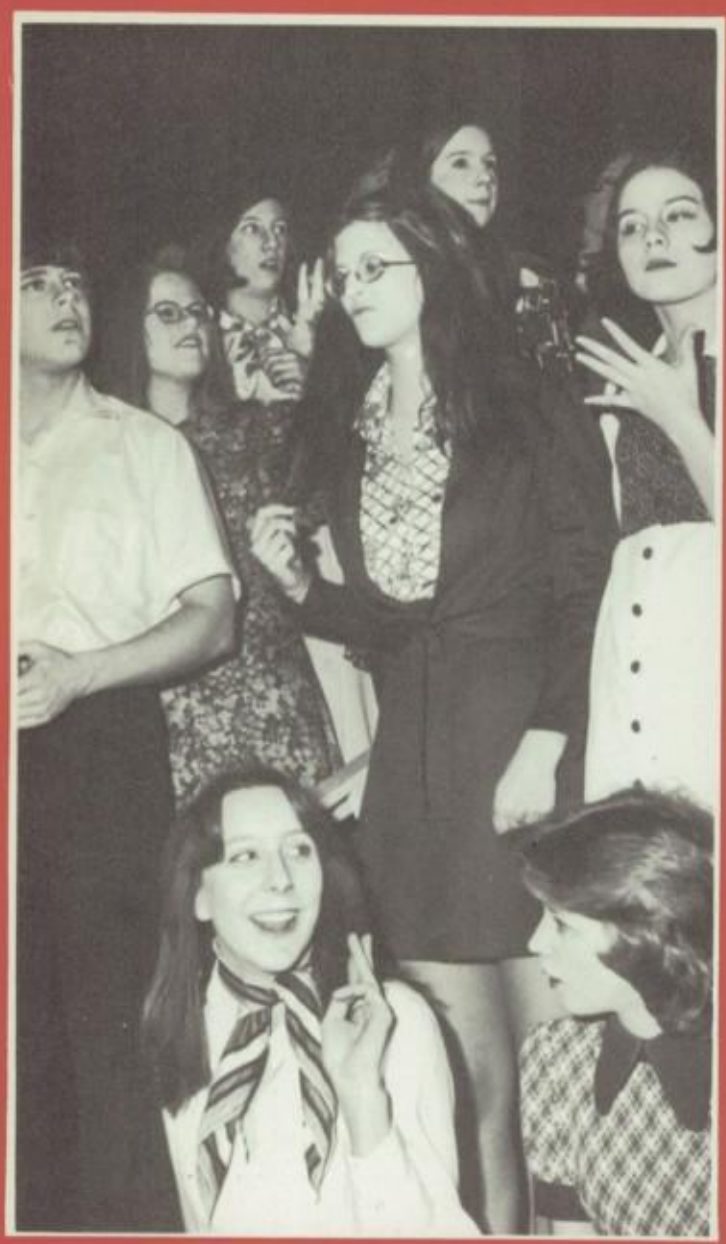

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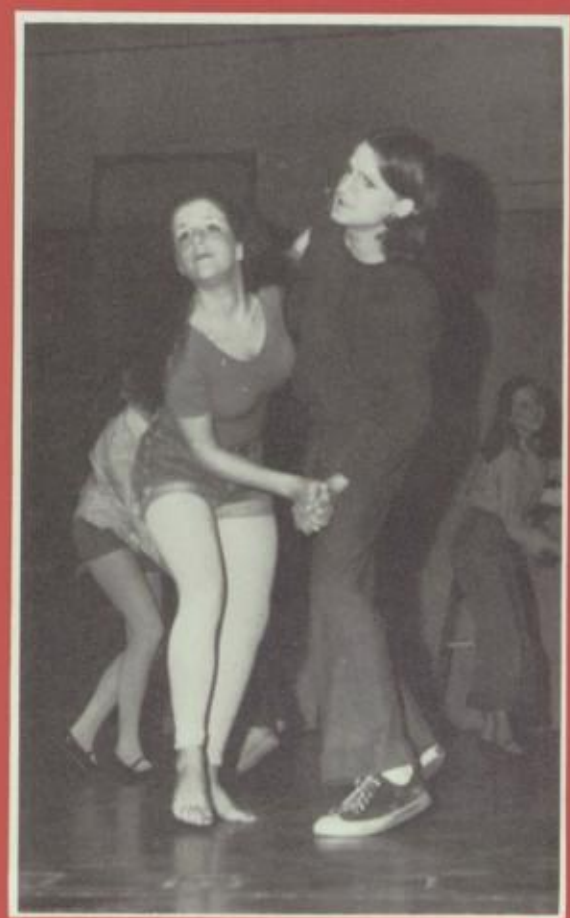

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Introducing the Central High 1975-6 Orchestra: Picture 1: Mr. Teare, directing. 2: Steve Redden. 3: Jennifer Bogart. 4: The Orchestra: Row 1, Left-Right: Jennifer Bogart, Julie Bernard, Becky Rersh, Martha Armantrout, Kym Masera, Tom Cole, Dave Shuck, Besty Start, Tony Ross. Row 2: Randy Brown, Diane Parker, Mary Kerny, Laura Wong, Aaron Thall, Adrienne Marks, Bonnie Julian, Linda Cartwright, Ann Rowley, Robin Valdez. Row 3: Suzy Waszkiewicz, John Foster, Brenda Classon, Jane Lewis, Leslie Sechler, Shari Glaser, Pam Yarger, Janet Buskirk, John Hardre, Shannan Alrick, Amy Jagodnick, Julie Plattborze. Row 4: Angi Earl, Pat Hunt, Jeff Walker, Judy Houser, Philip Griffin, Steve Prange, Cliff Akker, Johnathon Schuck. 5: Linda Richter, Julie Hill, Chris Warren.

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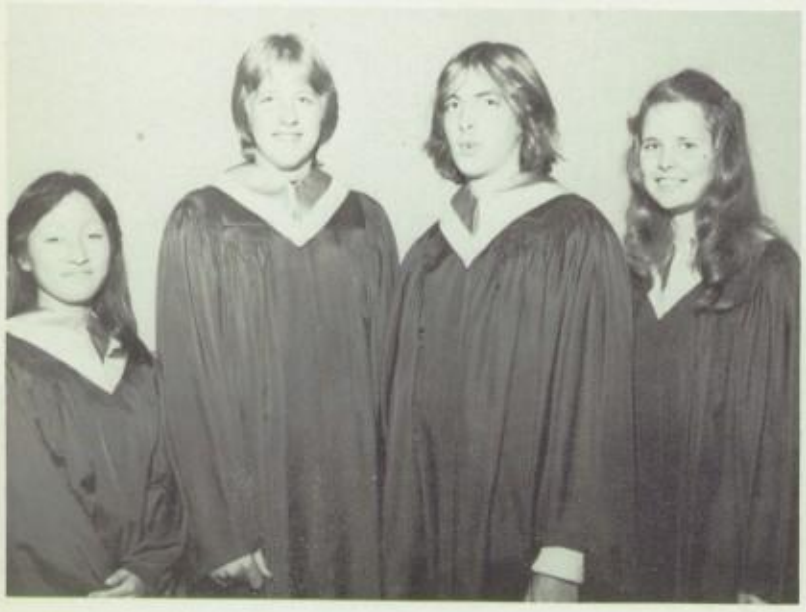
The Singing Voices of Central High

The Central High Choir this year served Central and the community by presenting concerts throughout the year. In the fall they presented the unique and distinctive Madrigal Dinners at Kalamazoo College. Added to that in the winter and spring, the choir presented the Maroon and White Revue, winter concerts, their spring musical production, a concert with Kalamazoo Symphony, the Shalom Concert, Baccalaureate and graduations concert. If that were not enough, the members of the choir also participated in State Honors Choir Competition, Junior High Presentations, and community programs, such as the Retired Teachers Dinner, the Lions' Club luncheons and many other civic events. Under the direction of Mrs. Esther Reigel, the high traditions of musical competence and fine musical traditions were maintained at Central High School in our Bi-centennial year.



Page 10, 1: Director Esther Reigel. 2: First Row: Janae Walker, Linda Walker, Linda Richter, Gina Ferraro, Pam Yarger, Amy Boekhout, Carol Donahue, Dorothy Wells. 2nd Row: Sarah Rosine, Roger Myers, John Hardie, Jeff Walker, Paul Nederveldt, Kirk Finchem, Paul Greaver, Amy Jagodnik, Dave Duke, Gay Thomas. 3rd Row: Tom Siebert, Dave Herman. 3: Karen Bostick, Christopher Roberts, Joel Russcher. 4: Honor's Quartet: Sally Tien — Soprano, Sally Tien — Tenor, Paul Greaver — Bass, Pam Yarger — Alto. 5: Choir Officers: Pierre Robert — Treasurer, Linda Richter — Vice President, Sara Bailey — Secretary, Pam Yarger — President. 6: Women's Honors Quartet: Robin Valdez, Sarah Combs, Linda Richter, missing: Janae Walker. 7: Men's Honors Quartet: Jeff Walker, Pierre Robert, Mike Vigen, Eric Haupt. Page 11, 1: The Choir: First Row: Katie Brown, Sarah Combs, Sara Bailey, Ann Cordier, Debbie Flagmeier, Pam Yarger, Milton Taylor, Jeff Walker, David Greenquist, Dave Herman, Kevin White, Jan Buskirk, Gay Thomas, Gail Cordier, Tracy Bussema. Second Row: Sally Tien, Debbie Swierenga, Gina Ferraro, Elise Fleckenstein, Amy Boekhout, Joe Youdell, Paul Nederveldt, Pierre Robert, Paul Greaver, Joel Russcher, Roger Myers, John Hardie, Dave Duke, LaVonda Ozier, Debbie Merriman, Dorothy Wells, Amy Jagodnik. Third Row: Sherrie Sparks, Linda Richter, Karen Bostic, Julie Jaqua, Robin Valdez, Carol Donahue, Kirk Finchem, Jeff Lane, Mark Waterhouse, Mike Vigen, Eric Haupt, Tom Siebert, Christopher Roberts, Sarah Rosine, Claire Waring, Miriam Graff, Barbie Loew, Karen Wellington, Kathy Barlow, Cathy Platteborze. 2: The Chamber Choir: Amy Jagodnik, Sarah Combs, Gay Thomas, Pam Yarger, Claire Waring, Amy Boekhout, Robin Valdez, Linda Richter, Sally Tien. 2nd Row: Eric Haupt, Joe Youdell, Jeff Walker, John Hardie, Joel Busscher, Pierre Robert, Paul Greaver, Mike Vigen. 3: Karen Wellington, Debbie Swierenga, Debbie Flagmeier, Michelle Mitter, Janae Walker, Linda Richter. 2nd Row: Julie Jaqua, Tom Siebert, Dave Herman, Rich Daudert, Roger Myers, Joe Youdell, John Hardie, Milton Taylor, Jeff Walker.

Central's Finest: The Marching Band — 1975-6

The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High School Marching Band carried on its fine musical traditions this year by marching in their bright new dark red and black uniforms with white trim at a whole host of school and community activities. In the fall they marched for all of Central's home games including the Loy Norrix game which was away. During the fall the band also presented a special show for Kalamazoo College's Homecoming celebration in October. Such numbers as "Rock-a-bye Your Baby" and "Way Down Yonder in New Orleans" were high-stepped in intricate patterns for both the high school and college audiences. The band is maintaining its standards as one of the finest marching bands in the state. The band's director, Jerome Mandl, has kept the exciting band up to its high standards, and the students and faculty of Central High can be very proud of their band. In the spring the band marches in parades around the community and performs concerts in the Central High gymnasium. Even during the winter the band puts on special Christmas concerts for the Central High community. The Central High Band is justly called the finest in the state.

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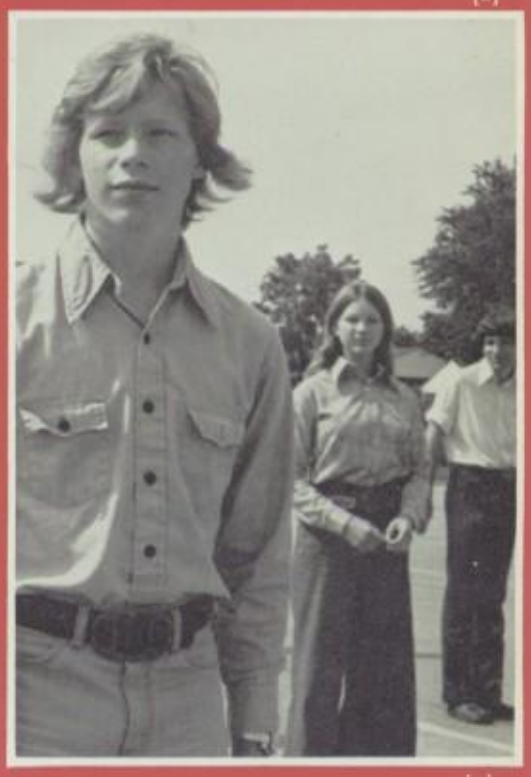

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"The Madwoman of Chaillot"
by Jean Giraudoux
May 16, 17, 18, 1975

Cast

The Waitress	Amy Jagodnik
The Little Woman	Kathy Stiefel
The Prospector	Peirre Robert
The Doorwoman	Carol Donoghue
Therese	Paula Rosine
The President	Pat Kukla
The Baron	Gregg Jones
The Street Singer	Tom Newton
The Flower Girl	Claire Waring
The Sergeant	Ruth Gilmore
The Ragpicker	Kevin Mahr
Paulette	Hilary Stech
The Deaf Mute	Cheryl Strong
Irma	Carmine Hodgkinson
The Shoelace Peddler	Katy Neynaber
The Broker	David Robin
The Street Juggler	Garold Champlin
Dr. Jadin	Debbie Kittredge
Countess Aurelia, Madwoman	Karen DeYoung
The Policeman	Scott Fulton
Pierre	Ed Overhiser
The Sewer Man	Bob Schellenberg
Mm. Constance	Wanda Lou Carter
Mlle. Gabrielle	Deena Cantu
Mm. Josephine	Susan Fall
The Presidents	Pat Kukla, Carolyn Westerman, Gregg Jones, Kathy Higashi, David Robin
The Prospectors	Pierre Robert, Lisa Walgamuth, John Foster
The Press	Kim Rizzo, Dea McCormick
Director	Eleanor R. Baum

PRODUCTION NOTES

"She's not mad, she's the Madwoman of Chaillot." One day Countess Aurelia discovers a terrible plot. A group of business men want to destroy Chaillot. Well, she's not going to let them. With the help of her friends Constance, Gabrielle, and Josephine, the friendly ragpicker, and all the village people, she quietly takes care of all the wicked people, and sets Chaillot back to normal again.

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Central's Choir: Madrigal Concert

The Kalamazoo Central High School Choir presented their school annual Madrigal Dinner at Kalamazoo College on October 21-22 1975. The 85 voice choir sang madrigals from the German, Jewish, Italian and English Spectrum. In addition there were Harpsichord and Recorder selections. Over 100 people enjoyed the two performances. Readings were given by Janae Walker and Pierre Robert, and a selected quartet of Robin Valdez, Pam Yarger, Joel Russcher and Mike Vigen, performed special musical selections. The dinner and musical evening was one of the high points of the cultural school year at Central High. The Central High Choir has established a cultural tradition that has increased in popularity over the past two years and is sure to be a yearly event in the years to come.

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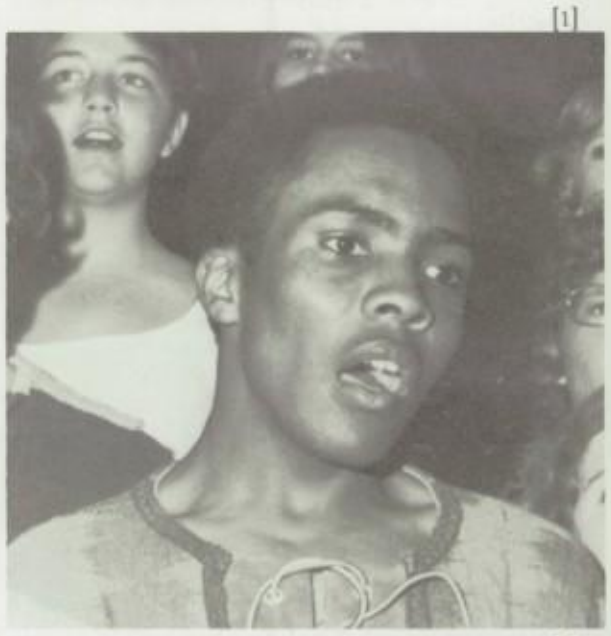

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A Band Special

On November 15, 1975 the KCHS Marching Band marched into Memorial Stadium in Lansing, Michigan and put on a stunning performance for the state's first state-wide semi-finals in Class-A Football. They started the halftime show with "Confidence" as the brisk, down-field drill. The precision drills consisted of a Jerry Bilik's arrangement of "Hollywood Halftime," "Step to the Rear" by Elmer Berstein, and the finale was a matchless drill done to "Way Down Younder in New Orleans." The Central High Band is the best in Southwestern Michigan.

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CHS Band Offers Christmas Concert

On December 11, 1975, The Kalamazoo Central High School Band, under the competent direction of Jerome Mandl, presented their Annual Winter Concert before a large audience at the Zuidema Gym.

The program included works by Nicolai Rimsky, KorSakov, Moussorgsky, Kalinnikov, Reed, John Williams, and Gilbert and Sullivan.

The band also had concerts on February 24, 1976 — "A Cavalcade of America," a program of musical comedy: March 30, 1976 — "A Bicentennial Concert" featuring soloists from W.M.U.: April 3, 1976 — "College Forum Concert" at Kalamazoo College: May 11, 1976 — "The Annual Spring Concert." The band played superbly and has high hopes for next year at all of these concerts.

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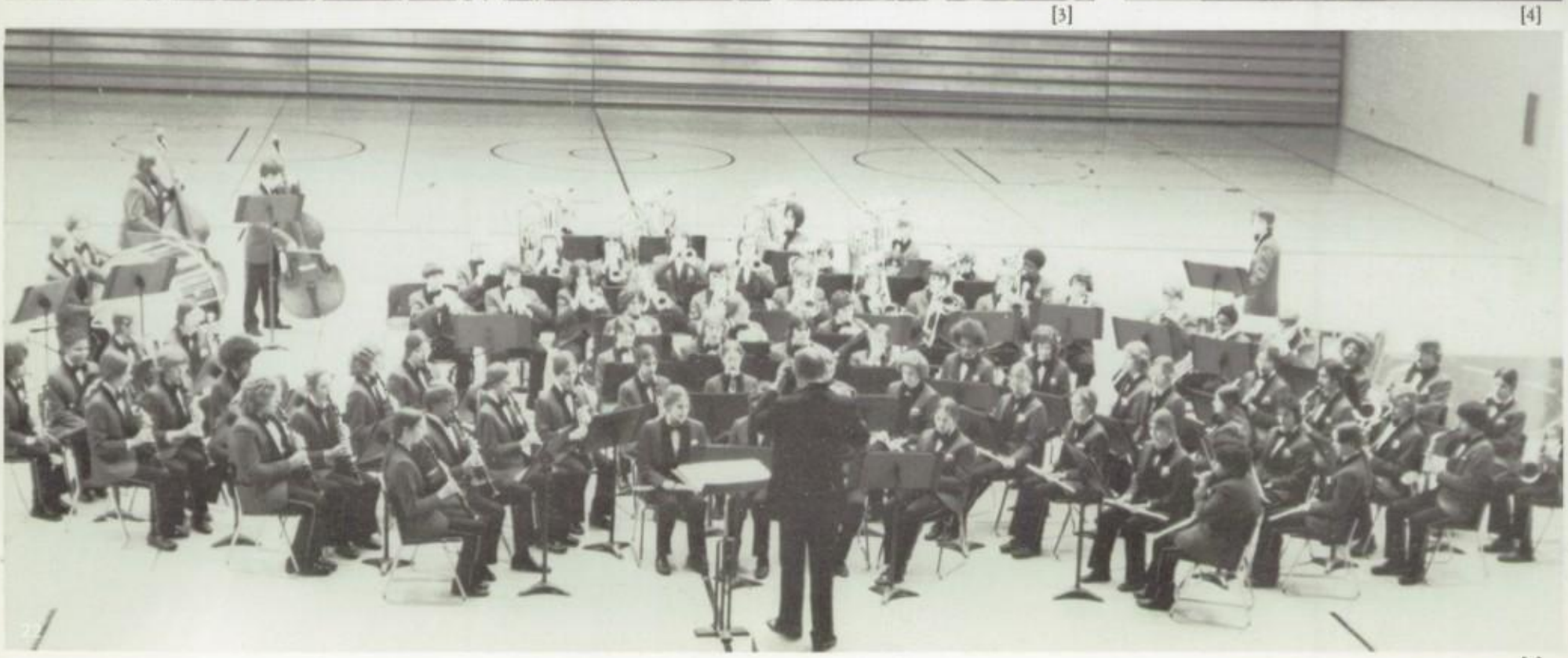

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Page 22, 1: Jane Hilberry, Kevin Johnson, Kate Holiday, Paul Denefeld, Shari Glazer, Debbie Ply, and Jane Lewis. 2: Eric Dewey. 3: Cindy Finman, Mike Reynolds, Steve Birch, Kathy Socia, John Barrett, Cindy Foreman, Clif Akker, Larry Reyford. 4: Pat Hunt. 5: The 1976 Central High School Band in Performance. Page 23, 1: Paul Denefeld, Deb Ply, Jane Lewis, Pam Kemp, Katrine Spurlock. 2: Robin Foust, Linda Richter, John Hardy. 3: Robin Valdez, Gay Thomas, Lisa Earl, Sue Powell. 4: Mike Reynolds, Mike Haupt, Ron Selner, Kathy Socia. 5: Penny Zimmerman, Baiba Rulis. 6: Sue Powell, Liegh McDonald, Mike Reynolds, Mike Haupt, Ron Selner, Kathy Wovcha.

The Christmas Concert

The Central High School Orchestra and Choir's Annual Christmas Concert in Chenery Auditorium on December 15, 1975 was easily one of the loveliest ever performed by the choir and orchestra.

The Orchestra was rich and full and clearly the finest Central has produced in over five years. Their music was traditional to the season with a medley of Christmas works. Under the talented direction of Ronald Teare and Bill Ricci, the Central High Orchestra again reached the quality and beauty of sound that has been a hall-mark of the Central High Music Department over the years.

The second part of the program was the Choir's exquisite presentation of Benjamin Britain's "Ceremony of Carols." Under the light and delicate direction of Esther Riegel, the choir performed its best and most lyrical concert of the year. To the accompaniment of dancers and a lovely Harpist, Ms. Angerman, the choir sang and heightened the spirit of the holidays for everyone who attended the concert.

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Page 24, Picture 1: Ms. Angerman performing on the harp. 2: Dave Schuck, and Barb Morrison performing on the Cellos. 3: The choir assembles before the Christmas Concert: Clockwise From the Top of the Picture: Tom Siebert, Mrs. Riegel (Choral Conductor and Director), Elise Fleckenstein, Claire Waring, Sarah Bailey, Janae Walker, Mark Waterhouse and Pierre Robert. Page 25, Picture 1: Jennifer Bogart and Julie Bernhard play the violins for the orchestra. 2: Bonie Julian, Ann Rowley and Linda Cartwright make small talk before their performance. 3: The Choir singing the background for Benjamin Britain's Ceremony of Carols.

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Page 26, Picture 1: Elise Fleckenstein, Claire Waring, Sherri Sparks, and Sarah Combs perform an interpretive dance behind one of the Carols performed at the Concert. 2: Brenda Closson turns up her French Horn before the concert. 3: Nick Waskowski, and Thomas Cole play their violins in the Orchestra section of the concert. 4: Mr. Teare (Orchestra Director and Conductor) and Bill Ricci (Student Teacher) make conversation before the concert. 5: Two lovely Central High Ushers escort a patron to his seat.

Page 27, Picture 1: Mrs. Esther Riegel takes a bow in front of her Chamber Choir. First Row: Sally Teen, Linda Richter, Robin Valdez, Janae Walker, Gay Thomas, Sarah Combs, Pam Yarger, Amy Jogodnik. 2nd Row: Claire Waring, Amy Buckhout, Joel Russcher, Pierre Robert, John Hardie. 3rd Row: Mike Vigen, Joe Udell, Tom Siebert. Picture 2: Phil Chen, Tony Ross and Betsy Start perform for the patrons at the Christmas Concert. 3: Ms. Angerman tunes up her Harp before the concert.

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"Music is the universal language of mankind."
Longfellow

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Kalamazoo Central High School
Presents
"THE DEATH AND LIFE OF SNEAKY FITCH"
by
James Rosenberg
A Comedy in Three Acts

Cast

The Singer ..... TIM FERGUSON
Indian ..... CHARLA FINLEY
Rackham ..... ED OVERHISER
Joe Carter ..... SCOTT LOVERIDGE
Mervyn Vale ..... SCOTT FULTON
Jake Smith ..... AL GARNAAT
Dick Newton ..... ED RYAN
Maroon ..... RUTH GILMORE
Sheriff Oglesby ..... TIM KOPONEN
Doc Burch ..... GREGG JONES
Rev. Sara Walters ..... DEBBIE KITTREDGE
Mrs. Vale ..... MARY PATTISON
Mrs. Blackwood ..... KRISTEN AYER
Maggie MacDougal ..... Kathy Wovcha
Sneaky Fitch ..... KEVIN MAHER
Bill Jackson ..... RICHARD MOLENAAR
Bob Wilson ..... JEFF DUNNINGTON
Director ..... ELEANOR R. BAUM

Two Bits Band

TIMOTHY F. LEWIS ..... Mandolin
CRAIG SPINK ..... Guitar
ROCK BARTLEY ..... Banjo
TIM FERGUSON ..... Bass and Guitar
Stage Manager ..... SCOTT LOVERIDGE
Lights ..... CAROLYN WESTERMAN
Properties ..... CAROL DONOGHUE
House Management ..... BURKE SNYDER
VONNIE TRELOAR, CLAIRE WARING

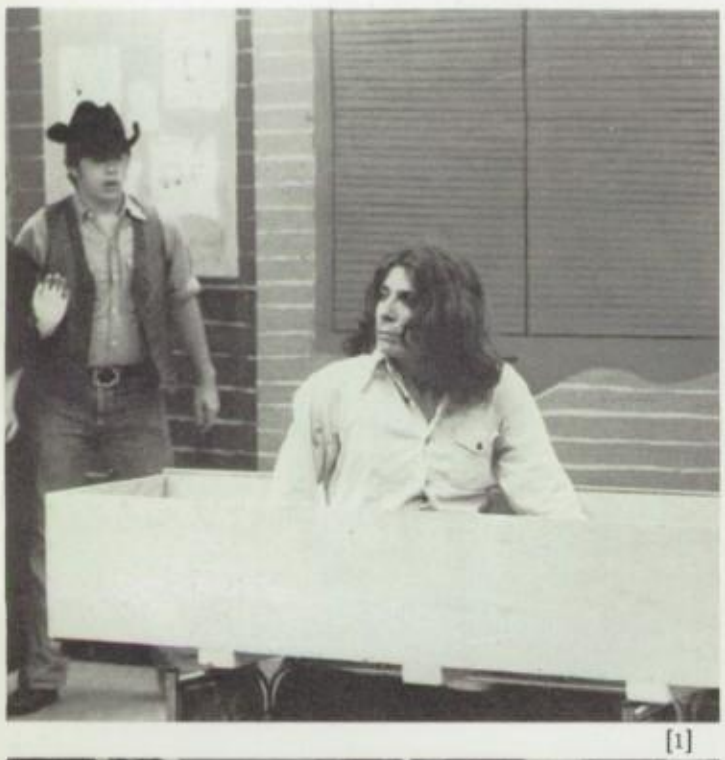
Synopsis

The play is a mythical story about the Old West. The town of Gopher Gulch has a sheriff — Jack Oglesby, his girl — Maroon, and a gun slinger — Racham. In the town also is the town drunk and scoundral, Sneaky Fitch.

Racham challenges him daily to a duel, but Sneaky is a chicken and won't draw. One day the town doctor drugs Sneaky to steal his money, liquor, and suit of clothes. Sneaky is found and is thought to be dead. The towns' people have a celebration funeral, but Sneaky wakes up and goes back to town where the people think that he has risen from the dead.

They become afraid of him and treat him as a god. Finally, the sheriff challenges Sneaky for romancing Maroon, and Sneaky kills the Sheriff, and becomes Sheriff himself. Racham challenges him and then backs out.

The doctor then returns and says that Sneaky never died. Maroon kills Sneaky, confessing that he was the only man she ever loved. The town rejoices because Sneaky is finally dead, and the myths about the Old West are preserved.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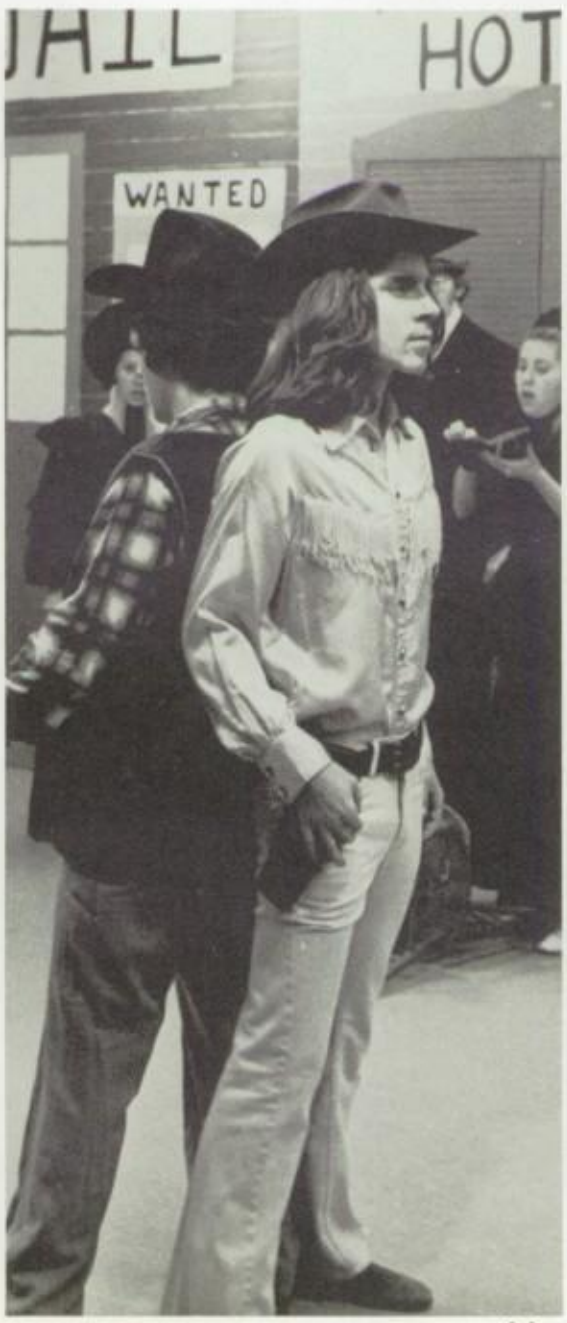

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Page 28, 1: Kevin Maher. 2: Tim Kopenon, Kevin Maher. 3: Ruth Gilmore, Kevin Maher. 4: Ed Overhiser. Page 29, 1: Gregg Jones. 2: Richard Molenaar, Ed Ryan, Al Garnaat. 3: Tim Kopenon, Kevin Maher. 4: Kathy Wovcha, Debbie Kittridge, Mary Pattison, Kristen Ayer, Gregg Jones, Ruth Gilmore, Scott Fulton, Tim Kopenon. 5: Gregg Jones, Scott Loveridge, Carolyn Westerman. 6: Tim Kopenon, Ruth Gilmore, Kevin Haher. 7: Kristen Ayer, Mary Pattison. 8: Tim Kopenon, Debbie Kittredge, Kevin Maher, Ruth Gilmore.

Foreign Students Welcomed at Central High School

Picture 1: Sachiko Inoue finds Central High students easy to get along with. 2: Peter Nielson is a quiet, colorful student from Denmark. 3: Hooshang Khademalomoom an intelligent, hardworking individual from Iran. 4: Saeed Mahdual, also from Iran, has taken a special interest in Central's Electronics Department.

Page 31, 1: Olivia Lee, Sachiko Inoue, Maecelo Bravo, and Peter Nielson. International Joke? 2: Marcelo Bravo is from Chile and has an outgoing personality. 3: Olivia Lee, a shy, yet very sincere young woman from Hong Kong. 4: Roberto Passariello is from Venezuela and is academically minded and enjoys school here at Central High. 5: Nasser Ghaleb Alamdri is a friendly, conservative young visitor. Central High is pleased that such fine foreign students could come and visit and learn with us this year.

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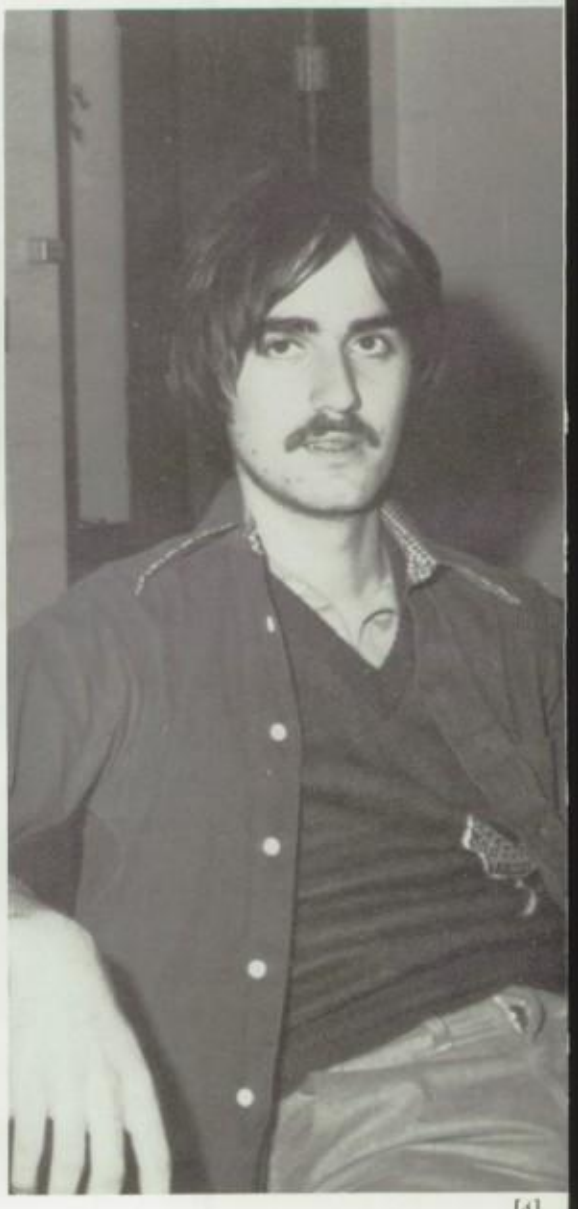

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PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEMORIES:

PROM 1975

The spring prom has left memories for the many couples who attended. Music was provided by Cloudburst, a band from Lansing.

"Photographs and Memories" was the theme and the brand new Kalamazoo Center was the setting. Refreshments were served by the Center's catering service. The seniors did a fine job in sponsoring the prom. These photographs illustrate that it was a beautiful evening enjoyed by all.

Pictures, Page 32, Picture 1: Debbie Sweinga, Jerry Kelly. 2: Matt Stoops, Julie Newkirk, Dawn Morford. 3: Mr. and Mrs. Johnston. 4: Front to Back: First Couple: Dave McCurly, Pam Yarger. 2nd: Unidentified. 3rd: Doug Merica, Linda Lang. 4th: Date, Kim Miller. 5th: Scott Bowen, Edith Marr. 6th: Jeff Boltjes, Terri Theodore. Page 33, Picture 1: Mr. Seydel, Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Horton. 2: Jerry Kelley, Debbie Sweringa, Holly Hilliard, Larry Kueppers, date, Kim Bowers. 3: The Band. 4: Anita Taylor, Elaine Hamilton. 5: The Band. 6: Top of the Stairs, Down: Shelly Russell and Brian Horton, Sally Holt, Larry Ho, Carol Higgins, Artis Lielzvika, Sue McClwain and David Williams.

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The Kalamazoo Central High 1975-6 Debate and Forensics Team: Row 1: Carol Admunsen, Steve Cooke, Joe Russcher, Mike Reibe, Pam Kemp, Penny Zimmerman, Bob Lowery, Paul Hummer, Lisa Weer, Cathy Coleman, Leslie Mills. Row 2: Gay Thomas, Kirsten Beker, Cynthia Foreman, Mike Nabors. Row 3: Phil Young, Dave Tyler, Allison Marsh, Brad Lamb, Linda Blout, Pierre Robert, Shirley Edwards, Delonda Gant, Carey Jackson.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Attendance Office Staff: 1st Row, Left to Right: Michelle Munson, Edith Marr, Alice Hamilton, Jill Asher, Laurie Rohs, Cathy Socia, Marie Veld, Cathy Pattison, Donna Knowlton. Second Row: Nancy Larson, Amy Lauver, Annette Crews, Benita Barnes, Lauonda Ozier, Mary Vielbig, Katy Asher, Jodi Burnett, Sonjia Carter, Debbie Keene. Third Row: Ann Jess, Kathy Kellogg, Amy Saville, Wendy Maxwell, Dorothy Crockett, Ann Costello, Mrs. Pearl McCray, Mrs. Sarah Farnworth, Cindy Baker, Debbie Sparks, Patty Huss, Janice Fatzinger, Elaine Hamilton, Stephanie Conner. Not Pictured: Judy Hargerink, Karen Burns, Jill Shafer.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Ski Club: 1st Row Seated Left to Right: Bob Sharpe, Jill Asher, Ron Blue, Liz Hummer, Lori Hagerman. 2nd Row Left to Right: Chris Bischoff, Craig Becker, Kathy McDonald, Carol Amundoson, Marcia Jones, Denise Holmes, Kim Brown, Wendy Maxwell, Cheryl Knapp, Debbie Kittredge. 3rd Row Standing: John Smith, Richard Stewert, Becky Van Sweden, Mary Smith, Cindy White, Nancy Glocheski, Gini Greer, Gay Thomas, Linda Richter, Betsy Start. 4th Row Left to Right: Dan Carlson, Sharon Gensler, Linda Cartwright, Fran Somers, Kent Ray, Karen Burns.

The Kalamazoo Central High Drama Club: First Row Left to Right: Terry Vicol, Alic Brown, Debbie Simpson, Don Kehoe, Anne Costello, Caludia Klein. 2nd Row: Melissa Bell. Lisa Fry, Gay Thomas, Scott Cook, Julie Bernhart, Debbie Mauer, Ben Pyle. 3rd Row: Jackie Powell, Lotte Greaver, Vonnie Treloar, Lis Walgamuth, Kim Rixxo, Nancy Stuut, Tony Gaston. 4th Row: Al Garnaat, Mary Patterson, Elise Fleckenstein, Sue Fall, Patty Sazbo, Debbie Sparks, George Shannon, Carol Donahue, Dieane Parker, Sharon Mundwiller. 5th Row: Linda Richter, Dan Brown, Donna Knowlton, Ed Overhizer, Mike Olech.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Sophomore Class Council: Top Row Left to Right: Perry Clark, Beth Jason, Kim Brown. 2nd Row Left to Right: Wally Baker, Noreen Daly. 3rd Row Left to Right: Kevin Ezell, Christie Jones, Wendy Maxwell, Carrie Fitzgerald, Lisa Stech.

The Kalamazoo Central 1976 Miss Donley Co-Op: Back Row Left to Right: Cindy Wisser, Sonjia Barbee, Pat Porter, Ann Henkes, Mary Lou Carter. Middle Row Left to Right: Kathy DeGroat, Kathy McDonald, Mary Walters. 3rd Row Left to Right: Michelle Boven, Deby Carpenter, Leisa Barber, Sue McElwain, Kathy Kallewaard.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Store Staff: From Top Down: Scott Cook, Richard Williams, Kathy Cuzk, Adrian Marks, Pam Simmon, Bob Truax, Casey Burns, Eddie Starks, Ruth Vanderbook, Theresa Blout, Dorothy Crocket.

The 1975-76 German Club: Row 1: Kim Brown, Peter Nielsen, Alison Marsh, Brenda Closson, Patricia Dean, Marie Siebert, Tom Seibert, Sally Tien, Craig Boers. Row 2: Mary Pattison, Frea Westerveld, Marna Brunden, Michelle Miller, Jennifer Bogart, Linda Richter, Henry Techentin, Andy Flynn, Robin Veldez, Chris Davis. Row 3: Sue Waszkiewecz, Laura Wong, Sandy Bianco, Frank Schellberg, Bob Sharpe, Besty Start, Vivian Zimmer, Kevin Mahar, Grant Eldridge, Mr. Kerber. Row 4: Karen Van Oyck, Linda Engberts, Marcia DeVries, Sue Fredrick, Patricia Negreski, Julie Pigeon, John Foster, Pam Pierson, Betty Hosbein, Cheryl Bach, Bill Heintz, Dina Hershberger, Bill Stiefel, Sue Morton.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Spanish Club of 1976: Penny Zimmerman, Elise Fleckenstein, Liz Hummer, Julie Pijeon, Annette Crews, Renee Goodwin, Towyous Jackson, Susan Fall, Barbara Loew, Laurie Prihoda, Marcia Jones, Anita Troxler, Cathy Socia, Lisa Earl, Vivian Zimmer, George Shannon, Laurie Rohs, Tom Higgins, Norma Bonnell, Tim Hazard, Eric Dewey, Ann Rowely, Brenda Pyle, Cheryl Drake, Shari Sparks, Becky Rayes, Rohnda Sommers, Katie Brown, Susan Davis, Stella Carosso, Karen Hunter, Amy Lauver, Mary Kerney, Gay Thomas, Linda Blount, Jill Calvert, Nancy Stuut, Lisa Stech, Karen Smith, Christy Jones, Neale Mansberger, Kim Rizzo, Lourdies Fernandez, Karen DeYoung, Theresa Holton, Roberto Passavielle, Carol Amundsen, Lori Hagerman, Jamie Ausbun, Nancy Sherman, Carrie Fitzgerald, Keith Miller, Elma Cantu, Roy Norcross, David Herman, Biff Levy.

Future Nurses Club: Back Row Standing: Terry Vicol, Sue Schultz, Sue Markusse, Pat Huss, Marcia Niewhuis. Front Row Sitting: Barb Taylor, Debbie Carpenter, Sue Holeship, Linda Cartwright, Cheryl Knapp, Kelly Walton. Front Row Standing: Mrs. Hall, Debbie Sweringa, Kathy Poe, Caren Niewhuis, Kathy Ivory. Not Pictured: Michelle Hazard, Shari Brown, Linda Rathburn, Francie Remmert, Diane Beutler, Mary Pearson.

The 1976 Kalamazoo Central High School Interschool Council: Seated 1st Row: Barb Kowal, Liz Hummer, Kelly Walton, Kathy Daly, Noreen Daly. Seated 2nd Row Left to Right: Debbie Kittredege. Seated 3rd Row Left to Right: Karen DeYoung, Sue Fall, Gay Thomas, Laurie Rohs. Left Hand Side Standing: Pam Kemp, Kirsten Becker, Marcia Jones, Kevin Ezell, Kent Ray. Right Hand Side Standing: Sandy Bianco, Kathy Peterson, Melanie Condic, Linda Richter, Sonjia Carter, Ann Costello, Ruth Watts, Sharon Mundwiler.

The Kalamazoo Central High School 1976 Mr. Reinkensmeyers Co-Op: Sitting Left to Right: Tom Johnson, Ron Cathcart, Mr. Reinkensmeyer, Ty Cudney, Sue Penny. 1st Row Left to Right: Sarah White, Anita White, Teresa Blount, Cindy Hatfield, Brenda DePouw, Wanda Tindle, Katy Neynaber. Back Row Left to Right: Robin Perry, Debbie Drain, Jane Echilberg, Dennis Aernie, Randy Wnuk, Tim Redeker. Not Pictured: Jack Bullard, Sally Dennany, Lori Gregrich, Elaine Hamilton, Diane Hawley, Dave Klein.

The Kalamazoo Central High Junior Class Council: Front Row Left to Right: Randy Chipman, Ginny Greer, Sherry Acker, Becky VanSweden. 2nd Row: Mr. Carlson, Marilyn Johnson, Sue Fall, Kathy Crump, Laura Walker. Third Row: Windy Dixon, Jill Asher, Kenny Grayson, Pam Kemp, Teresa Ezell, Dave Abbey.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Film Magic Staff: Left to Right: Richard Williams, Sharon Mundwiler, Diane Parker, Linda Richter, Dan Brown, Cindy Gulbronsen, Judy Cunningham, Lotte Greaver, Donna Knowlton.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Delphian Staff: Top Row: Sue Penny, Cindy Gulbronsen, Karen Nichols, Barb Danek, Wally Kremers, Cindy Hamilton, Jaime Fleckenstein. Bottom Row: Sonjia Carter, Mr. Bennett, Teri Sue Husband, Dan Kalleward. Not Pictured: Kathy Daly, Rick Atknins, Chris Caldwell, Karen Burns, Annette Hubbard.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Day Care Center Staff: Back Row Left to Right: Bertha Johnson, Yvonne Reese, Lori Knapp, LeAnn Joliffe, Mrs. Tuberville, Cheryl Nelson, Patty Middlebrooks. Middle Row Left to Right: Virginia Bowden, Tammy Greene, Barb Burchill, Romona Smith, Karen Petry, Kelly Ivory, Kathy Finch. 3rd Row: Vicky White, Fawn Bennett, Tanya Standish, Cindy Hamilton, Mrs. White, Jan Fatzinger, Sue Penny.

The Kalamazoo Central High Senior Class Council: Standing Left to Right: Mr. Hasso, Levie Ledbetter, Kathy Daly, Albert Little, Karen Burns, Chris Gant. Seated: Paul Nedervelt, Annette Hubbard, Karen Nichols.

The Kalamazoo Central High School French Club: Front Row Left to Right: Ted Laurer, Gini Greet, Cheryl Knapp, Rick Stroud, Leen Knight, Paul Nederveldt, Tim Koppenen, Lisa Riley. Second Row: Brian DeRoo, Barb Waldo, John Keep, Marilyn Johnson, Debbie Kittredge, Cindy Owens, Pam Kemp, Toni Watson, Kirston Becker. Third Row: Mrs. Rozelle, Julie Foust, Miriam Graff, Sharon Gensler, Betsy Bennett, Betsy Waszkiewicz. Fourth Row: Debbie Pittman, Karen Topham, Gretchen Thomas, Maureen Condic, Marianne Lancaster, Mike Reynolds. Fifth Row: Clare Waring, Gregg Chistrendon, Jim Junker, Melanie Condic.

The Kalamazoo Central High Upward Bound Program Participants: Bottom Row: Willie Brooks, Talbert Ollie, Erma Gilland. Back Row: Greg Parker, Debra Jones, James Bufford, Cheryl White, Renatta Moore, Fawn Bennett.

The Kalamazoo Central High Electronics Club: John Malmberg, Mr. Poloms, Tom Hodapp, Dave Haupt, Bill Comparins.

The Kalamazoo Central High ESSA Group: Front Row: Left to Right: Teresa Ezell, Steve Prange, Terry McFadden, Tim Ferguson, Kevin Ezell, Carrie Fitzgerald. Back Row: Wendy Maxwell, Sga White, Lavonda Ozier, Kathy Klepper, Pam Kemp.

The Kalamazoo Central High Library Staff: Front Row: Left to Right: Dan Gilligan, Andrea VanBart, Duane Rich, Mary Pattison. Back Row: Karmen Rapp, Suzy Waszkiewicz, Jamie Fouche, Teresa Troutman, Amiee Luker, Ester Reyes, Donna Trice.

The Kalamazoo Central High Concern Staff: Front Row, Left to Right: Jeff Wing, Rick Grooten, Cindy Gulbronsen, Corey Davis, Bruce Olson, Judy Cunningham, Dan Brown. Row 2: Linda Richter, Connie Simmons, Diane Parker, Terri Ellis, Donna Knowlton, Sue Orenton. Row 3: Julie Dalton, Mrs. Gerts, Bill Wilson, Mark Ferguson, Mike Olech, Tonm Moss, Scott Russell, Debbie Keene.

The Kalamazoo Central High Latin Club: 1st Row: Katrine Spurlock, Deia McCormick, Chris Roberts, Earl Seibert, Linda Hubbel, Vanessa Esseltine, Joyce Weatherbee. Second Row: Ms. Felkel, Cicero Jones, Robert Hooker, Laura Schrier, Martha Armantrout, Kevin Johnson, Alex Ross, Gavia Siebert, Anna Falls, Sandy Bowman. Third Row: Paul Robin, Jan Buskirk, Heather Deal, Dan Teske, Aavon Thall, Heather White, Wally Kremers.

Kalamazoo Central Pep Club: 1st Row: Annette Hubbard, Denise Holmes, Kirsten Becker, Wendy Dixon, Anne Costello, Jill Asher, Liz Hummer, Rick Stroud. 2nd Row: Jackie Ford, Stanley Williams, Kim Brown, Kathy Klepper, Kathy Daly, Cindy Culbronson. 3rd Row: Kenny Grayson, Nancy Gloucheski, Sue Fall, Julie Bernhard, Marie Veld, Lisa Reily. 4th Row: Antonette Watson, Diane Walker, Shelly Lamper, Joan Smith, Sharon Gensler. 5th Row: Lavanda Ozier, Shirley Edwards, Craig Owens, Debbie Jones, Mike Neighbors, Ed Overhiser, Mike Olech, Debbie Maurer, Julie Bradshaw, Carmen Hodgekison, Diane Parker, Jill Calvert, Sharon Mundweiler.

The Kalamazoo Central High Mr. Payne's Co-Op: First Row: Left to Right: John Foote, Rob Greene, John Logan, Tom Lammon, Andy Young. 2nd Row: Sue Hughson, Keith Hoff, Bernard Junior, Richard Glenn, Mr. Payne, Jamie Fleckenstein, Willie Starks, Michelle Hazard. 3rd Row: Trina Bennett, Michelle Ware, Chris Smith, Emmett Cole, Jackie Chambers, Harold Mitchell, Donna Austin, Alicia Colloway, Jack Jablonski, Dan Kallewaard, Hank McCall. 4th Row: Frank Mihalk, Jim Monhey, Tim Mayo, Ed Vandermeeden, Bruce Adams, Mike Everett, Paul Williams, Brian Sturdivent, John Waganeer.

The Kalamazoo Central Mythology Club: Front Row Left to Right: Pat Dean, Vivian Zimmer, Ms. Manuel. Back Row: Andrea DeAngelis, Sandy Bianco, Julie Foust, Kym Masera, Carolyn Westerman.

The Central High's Mr. Rays Co-Op: First Row Left to Right: Debbie Dunning, Vonnell Coleman, Kent Ray, Sue Kitsmiller, Amy Eberhart, Mike Bowling. 2nd Row: Fritz Webb, Chris Standish, Barry Miller, Patricia Bouters, Dennis Peckhem, Brenda Hall, Vincent Dixon. 3rd Row: Bill Switzer, Eric Pots, Roger Thompson, Clarenc Van Meter, Rick Stratton, Scott Hockey, Scott Israels, Steve Zoutman, Annette Hubbard, Levie Ledbetter.

The Kalamazoo Central High Audio-Visual Staff: Tom Montalvo, Annette English, Tim Kemp, Burk Synder.

The Kalamazoo Central High Chess Team: Donnaval Gaston, Kathy Peterson, Leion Tetzlaff, Karen Watson, Greg Christensen, Mr. Worth, Chris Warren, Steve Lantz.

The Kalamazoo Central High School Lab Assistants for 1975: Left to Right: Jane Hilberry, Dave Hartman, Ted Lauver, Kelly Ivory, Kathy Peterson, Kate Holiday.

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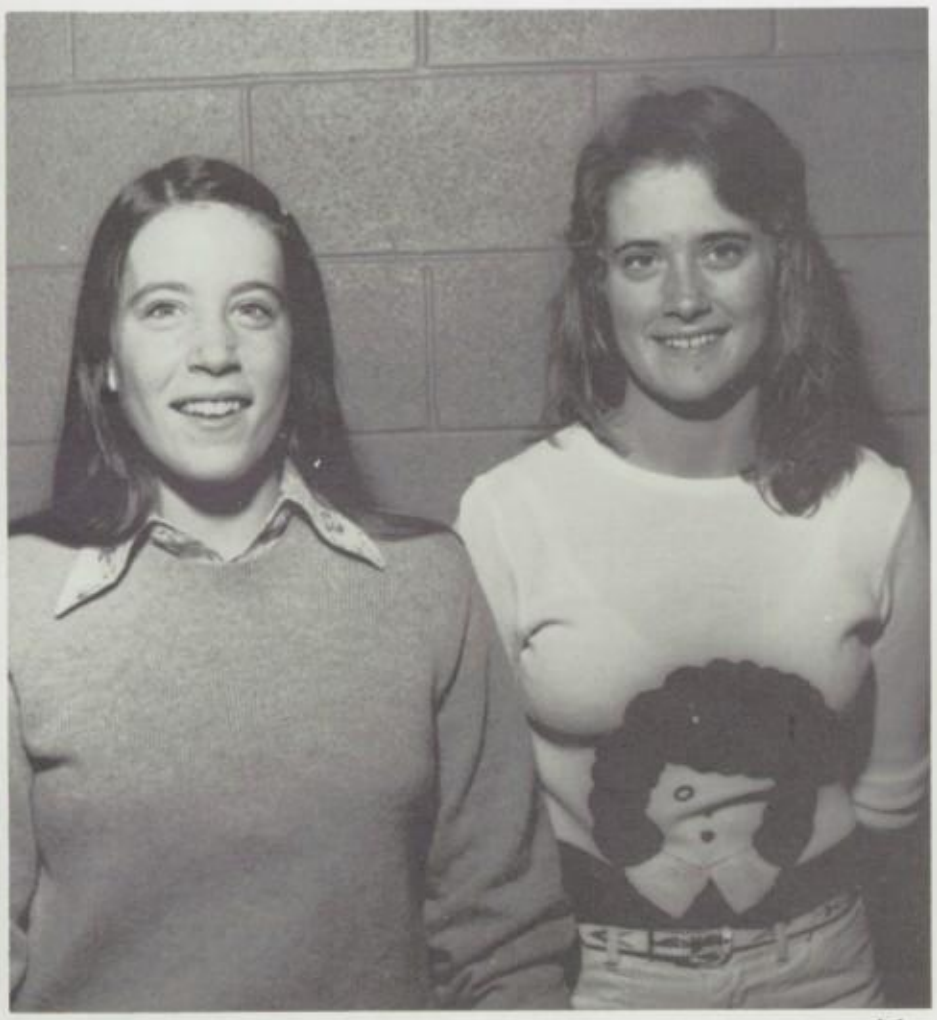

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The Central High Skating Club: Cindy Nichols and Kelly Walton.

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Kalamazoo Central Has Little People Too!

The Kalamazoo Central Day Care Center is on its 4th year of operation. Headed by Mrs. Barbara White, the Center has proven to be a great success not only with the 3-5 year olds, but also with the students.

The Center serves as a 2-hour block class in which our students act as aides. Not only do they get a credit, but they gain knowledge and experience for their own future years.

This year's classes consisted of an all female staff. Mrs. White feels that, "Men should have and should give a helping hand in the Center too." She's looking forward to having co-ed classes next year and in the years to come.

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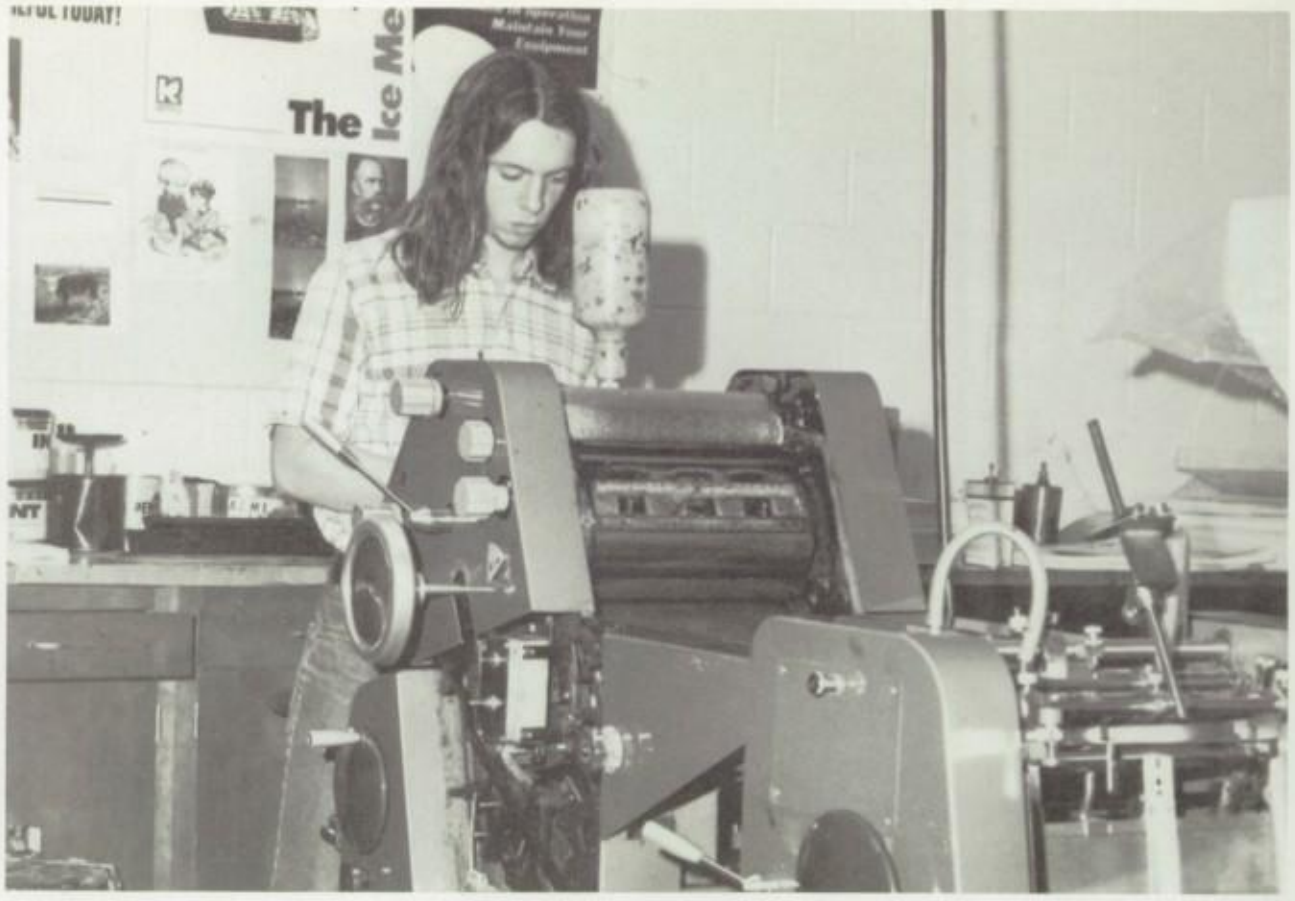
Page 50: 1: Fronnie Dixon, Amy Wirtz. 2: Alicia LeBarre, Nikky Wilson. 3: Terrence Evans, Teresa Williams. 4: Back to Front: Mrs. Parker, Cheryl Nelson, Herbert Reynolds, Tina McKinney, Katy Layoni, Angela Stephenson. 5: Kollin (Snoopy) Klein, Stacey Finely, Angela Stephenson, Jan Fatzinger, Mrs. White, Edward Monovich, Penny Stoppleburg, Nikky Wilson.
Page 51: 1: Dawn Galliver, Sue Penny. 2: Cindy Hamilton, Sue Penny, Dawn Galliver, Mrs. Parker. 3: Ruth Kosanke, Michael Ethridge. 4: Cheryl Nelson, Stacey Finley. 5: Michael Ethridge, Edward Monovich. 6: Chris Dunigan.

Industrial Arts

One of the most exciting places for students in the school is the Industrial Arts Department of Central High. Welding, Wood-Working, Electronics, Graphic Arts, Drafting, Auto Mechanics, and Small Engines are the specific classes offered to the student body. Students learn trades and skills by doing the actual jobs, not just by book learning.

Among the different and varied projects that the Department participates in and helps are in the building of a real Home, the rebuilding of cars, the publishing of school publications and programs, and the revitalizing of TV and radios. The department also helps rebuild lawnmowers and small engines. Through learning how to utilize the skills of these practical endeavors, students learn and mature skills which will be used regularly throughout the rest of their lives. Industrial Arts is practical, usable education, and an important part of our high school curriculum.



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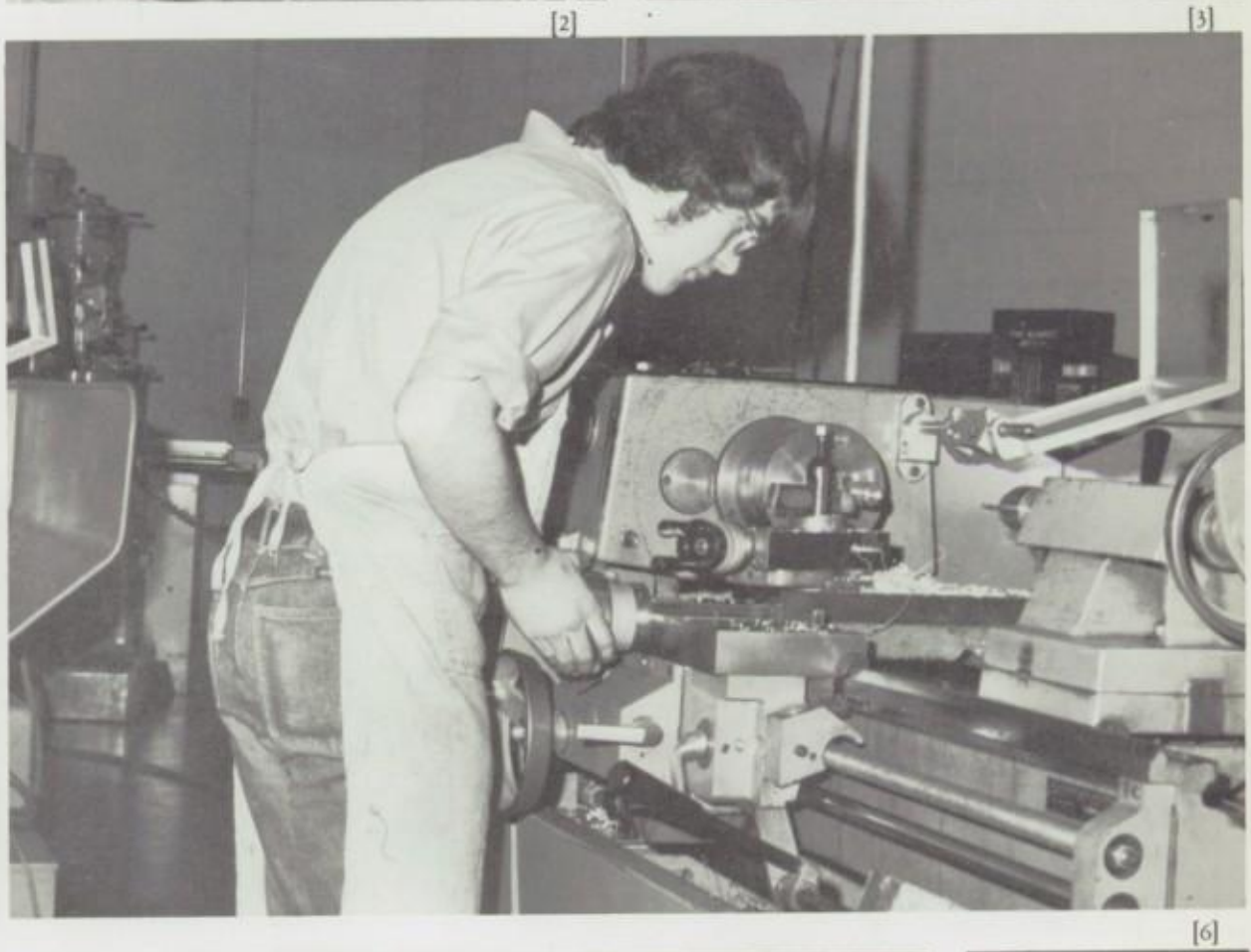

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Industrial Arts 3rd Home

Students from Mr. Hanovers' Construction trades classes, Mr. Payne's Building Classes, Mr. Taylor's Electronics classes, Mrs. Greenman's Home Economics Classes and Mr. Bailey's Home Economic Classes — all coordinated their educational efforts to help build CHS's third Home.

The exterior was handled by Mr. Hanovers, Mr. Payne, Mr. Taylor and the interior by Mrs. Greenman and Mrs. Bailey's classes. Other members on the Board of Directors for the project were Mr. Hagman, Mr. Goodwyn, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Boyce, Mr. Snow, Mr. Pierson and Mr. Van Werden.

Working in three hour blocks the students worked on the house and almost finished it by the time the Delphian went to press. The third house is located at 3307 Thornhill here in Kalamazoo.

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Picture 1: Tim Johnson. 2: Mark Blames. 3: Dick Powell. 4: Mike Lorenz, Roy Beebe. 5: Kirt Leftwich. 6: Rick Grooten and Mr. Hanover. 7: Steve Wesau.

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The Backbone of Central High

— SPORTS —

The Spirit of '75-76

The Kalamazoo Central High Fall Cheerleaders are a brand new squad this fall; new faces, new games, new assemblies, new cheers. The two squads worked and practiced in the late afternoons and into the evening perfecting their cheers. The cheerleaders were the backbone of school spirit in the fall organizing pep assemblies, painting school spirit signs, and helping the crowd to cheer at the games. The only senior on the squad this fall was Kathy DeGroat, which means that the new squad with their experience and pep will be back for three full years to help promote and support school spirit at Central High.

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Page 56, Picture 1, On Standing Mount, Kneeling: Christy Jones. Standing: Jackie Powell, Lori Brown, Kelli Walton. Second From Top: Michele Blakeslee. Top: Kathy DeGroat. Behind Lori is Eddie Starks. 2: Cheerleaders Greeting Football Team. 3: Carrie Fitzgerald. 4: Tina Moss. 5: Royetta Fry. Page 57, 1: Squad cheering at Pep Assembly. 2: Lori Brown. 3: Windy Dixon. 4: The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High Fall Cheerleading Squad: Front Row, Left to Right: Lisa Stech, Jackie Powell, Kathy DeGroat, Windy Dixon, Kelli Walton, Royetta Fry. Back Row: Carrie Fitzgerald, Tina Moss, Chrity Jones, Wendy Maxwell, Michele Balkeslee, Marcia Niewwenheis. 5: The Squad cheering.

Track Team Looks Toward 1976

The Kalamazoo Central High Track team of 1975 had a "ho-hum" season. They did not win many meets, but they had lots of spirit and tried hard. There are only four seniors on the team, which means that the spring of 1976 should bring more victories to Central as the sophomores and juniors mature. The team's most valuable runners were Eddie Starks and his twin brother, Willie. The coach was Elf Pedler, who has retired after 27 years as the Head Coach. The team will really miss him. The Assistant Coach for this year was Mr. Long. With a little luck and experience, the spring of 1976 should bring Kalamazoo Central into one of the more powerful contenders of the Big Eight Conference.

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Page 58, Picture 1: Ralph Erickson. 2: Tom Pompey. 3: Rob Baxter. 4: Al Jackson. 5: Willie Starks and Starter. 6: Dave Slater. 7: Tom Pompey. Page 59, Picture 1: Tom Pompey. 2: Ralph Erickson, Garry Jones, Dave Abbey, Jim Brown. 3: Coach Elf Pedler. 4: Chuck Helgeson. 5, Kneeling: Kevin Mazer, Tom Moss. Standing: Al Tobor, Phil Lytle, Eddie Starks. 6: Al Tabor, Albert Little.

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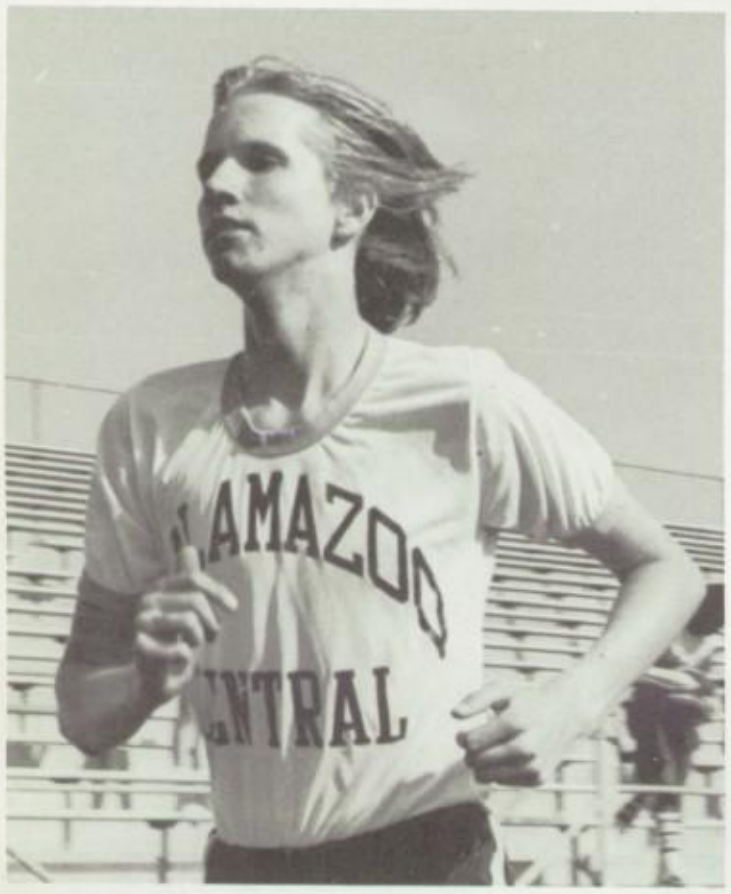

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Page 60, Picture 1: The 1975 Central High Track Team: First Row, Left to Right: Cedric Garrett, Eddie Starks, Gary Jones, Tom Moss, Chuck Helgeson, Tom Pompey, Jim Brown, Rob Baxter, Kevin Mazer. Second Row: Jim Crepus, Boby Wilbur, Scott Bowman, Niles McCullough, Kirk Finchem, Ted Harley, Michiago Soga. Third Row: Kevin Dowdy, Charles Rawls, Al Tabor, Dave Abbey, Mark Smith, Paul Guthaus, Al Little, Paul Nedervelt, Ralph Erickson, Bob Slater, Steve Smith, Gary Wells, Coach Elf Pedler. 2: Ralph Erickson. 3: Bob Slater. 4: Al Tabor.

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Page 61, Picture 1: Unknown. 2: Michiaki Soga. 3: Al Taborn. 4: Kirk Finchem. 5: Steve Smith. 6: Scott Bowman. 7: Richard Grayson.

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Women's Track Team Champions Third Year in a Row!

The 1975 Women's Track season turned out very successfully. Coached by Mrs. Georgia Hall and Mr. Kent Ray, the girls finished the year with a rewarding season. They took first at the Western and Constock Invitationals; first at the Conference meet; first in Regionals and third in the State Meet. This proved how hard the girls worked and they deserve a lot of credit.

School records were broken in all field events set by Dawn Morford — shotput, Kay Barstow — high jump, and Debbie Dunning — long jump.

New school records in running events by Liz Shon — 100 yard dash, Cheryl Minnot — 440 yard dash, Debbie Dunning — 220 yard dash, and the team of Miss Shon, Dowdy, Minnott and Dunning in the 440 yard relay.

New events added to the track season last year was the 2 mile, mile relay, 880 yard relay, 110 yard hurdles, and the 440 yard relay. This added a little more challenge and a change to this year's program.

The girls hope for this kind of season for this year.

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Page 62, Picture 1: Debbie Dunning. 2: The 1975 Central High Women's Track Team: Bottom Row, Left to Right: Pat Sabo, Cindy Nichols, Kay Asher, Vonnell Coleman, Liz Shon, Liz Hummer. Second Row: Sandy Hatley, Kay Barstow, Debbie Dunning, Alverna Henry, Rose Jones, Kelly Walton, Beth White. Third Row: Marcia Dowdy, Leslie Atkins, Linda Brown. Fourth Row: Fran Barrett, Gini Greer, Irma Gilland, Val Lake, Dawn Morford. Not pictured: Cheryl Minott, Barb Danek. 3: Patty Sabo. 4: Kay Barstow. 5: Irma Gillard, Rose Jones, Liz Shon, Alverna Henry. 6: Cindy Nichols.

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Page 63, Picture 1: Betsy Start. 2: Alverna Henry. 3: Charla Finley. 4: Dawn Morford. 5: Sandi Hatley. 6: Valerie Lake. 7: Irma Gilland. 8: Liz Hummer. 9: Coaches Kent Ray and Mrs. Hall.

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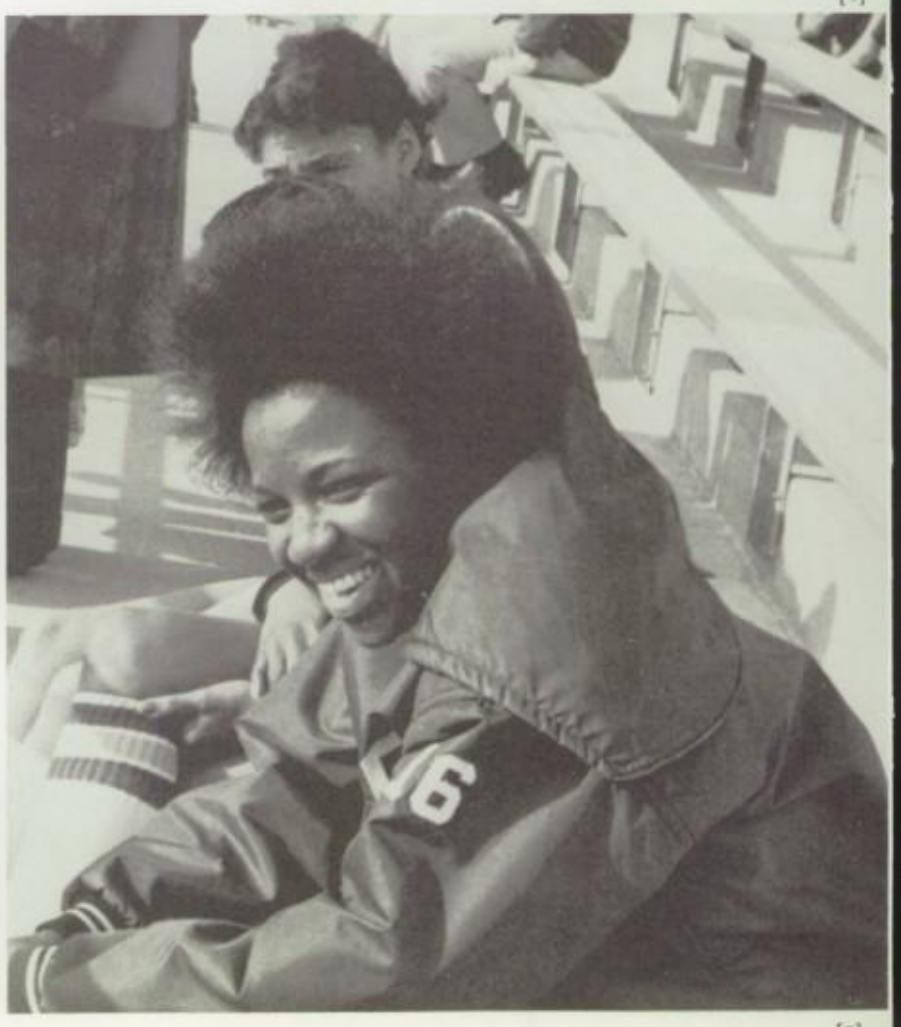

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Page 64, Picture 1: Liz Shon. 2: Charla Finley, Kay Asher. 3: Betsy Start, Amy Saville, Charla Finley, Susie Robertson, and Mary Pearson. 4: Betsy Start. 5: Amy Saville. 6: Debbie Dunning. 7: Vonnell Coleman. Page 65, Picture 1: Kay Barstow. 2: Liz Shon, Tima Gilland, and Vonnell Coleman. 3: Kay Asher, Patty Sabo. 4: Liz Shon. 5: Rose Jones. 6: Gayle Ford, Irma Gillard. 7: Dawn Morford.

Baseball Team Has 500 Season in 1975

Kalamazoo Central's 1975 Men's baseball team was coached by William Topp. Last year was their last year in the 7A league. Their record came out even with 11 wins and 11 losses. Mitch Wilson was team captain. Mitch and teammates Kyle Rowekamp and Senior Dave Clark made the G-K all star team for 1975. Altogether it was a successful season with this year looking brighter as Kalamazoo Central will be a new member for the Big Eight.

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Page 66, Picture 1: Kevin Clement, Marty Lohse, Tim Clysdale, Paul Woodworth. 2: Rick Atkins, Dave Clark, Paul Woodworth. 3: Coach, Mr. Topp. 4: Paul Woodworth. 5: Mark Ferguson, Kevin Clement, Marty Lohse. 6: Rick Grooten. 7: Rick Atkins. 8: Dave Clark.

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Page 67, Picture 1: Dave Clark. 2: Mark Ferguson. 3: Jake Bonnes. 4: Tim Clysdale. 5: Kalamazoo Central High Baseball Team for 1975: Marty Lohse, Rick Atkins, Dave Clark, Paul Woodworth, Gary Van Streian, Mike Larkin, Dodd Jones. Second Row: Mark Ferguson, Kevin Clement, Greg Smith, Rich Schoolmaster, Mitch Wilson, Mark Costello, Jake Bonnes. Third Row: Wally Davis, Chuck Russell, Gary Tyler, Kyle Rowekamp, Rick Groten, Sam Hood. Fourth Row: Tim Clysdale, Coach, Bill Topp, Mike Hinga, Mike Day. 6: Rick Atkins. 7: Marty Lohse. 8: Kevin Clement.

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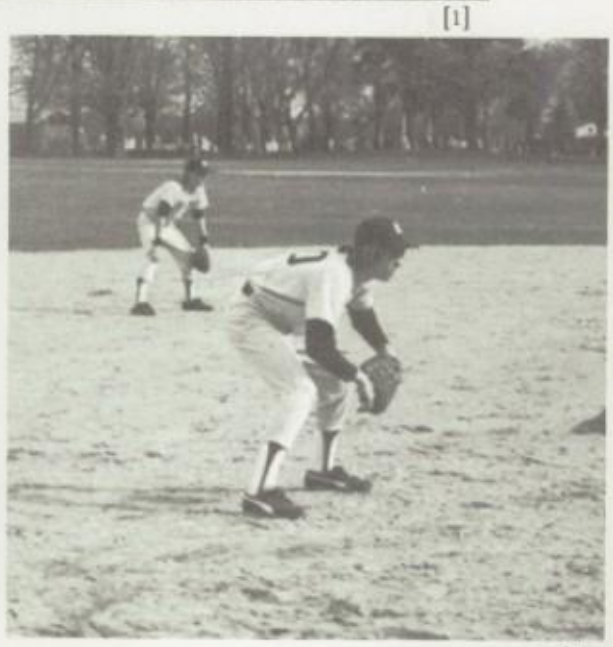

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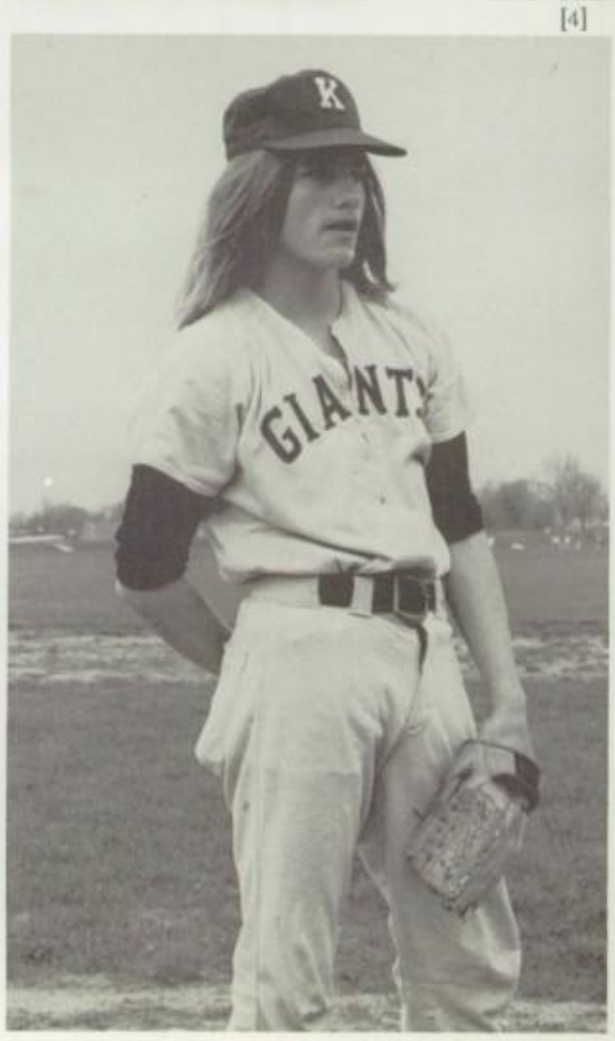

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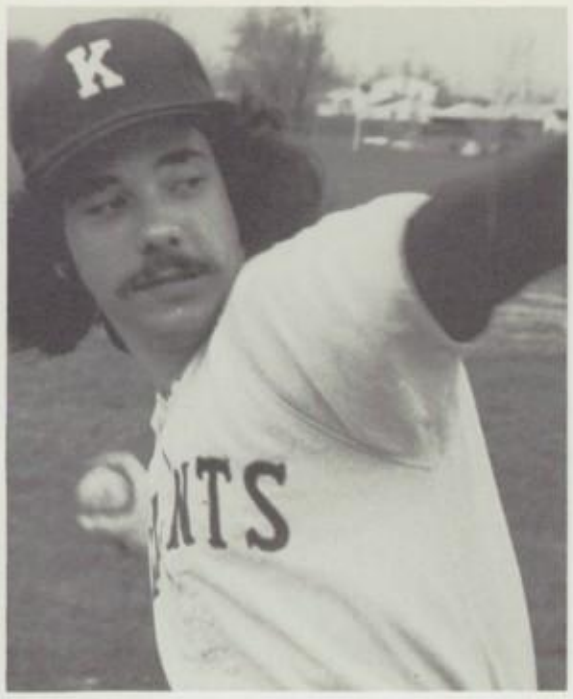

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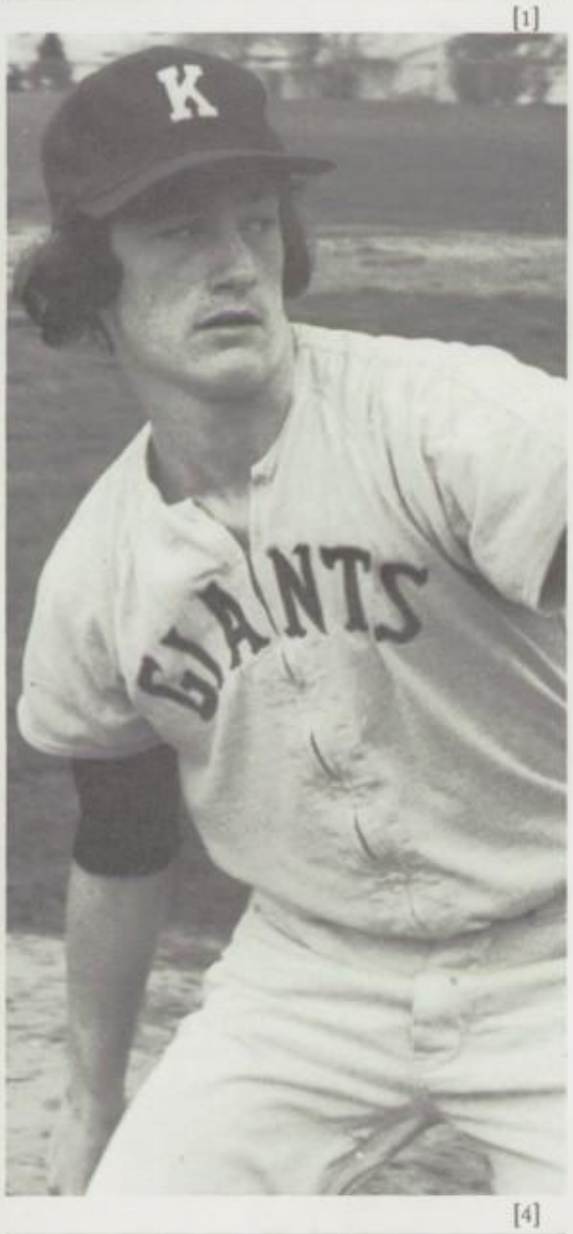

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Page 68, Picture 1: The Central High JV Baseball Team for 1975: First Row, Left to Right: Paul Martini, Willie Brooks, Steve Nutt, Jeff Lane, Blane Kubiak, Bob Powers. Second Row: Ed Ratliff, Orlando Rolstone, Kurt Wyman, Rick Stroud, Vic Hodges, Dave Davis, John Keep. Third Row: Bill Sweltzer, Randy Chipman, Jim Keeler, Mike Olech, Craig Rowekamp, Jim Yonker, Craig Raklovits, Kurt Holton, Coach Marv Signeski. 2: Craig Rowekamp, Rick Stroud, Craig Raklovits. 3: Jim Yonker. 4: Kurt Holton. 5: The team at rest. 6: John Keep. 7: Dave Davis. 8: Bob Power. Page 69, Picture 1: Randy Chipman. 2: Blane Kubiak. 3: Orlanda Ralston. 4: John Keep. 5: Rick Stroud. 6: Ed Ratliff. 7: Mike Olech. 8: Bob Powers. 9: The Team.

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Women's Softball

Kalamazoo Central's 1975 Women's Softball Team did exceptionally well this year. They finished with an overall record of 10 wins and 8 losses. The team came in third place in the State District Conference. Junior, Teresa Ezell was awarded the Sportmanship award of the year. A last year graduate, Linda Matchinski received the Hustle award and Junior Michelle Blakeslee got the Spirit award for the softball team. Senior Julie Highfield was the most valuable player. Julie and Kathy Czuk, a Senior also, were chosen as team captains of the 1976 Women's Softball Team.

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Page 70, Picture 1: The 1975 Women's Softball Team of Central High: First Row, Left to Right: Jo Ellen Sils, Kathy Kallaward, Virginia Schafer, Kathy Clark, Julie Highfield, Linda Knapp. Second Row: Pam Waits, Sue Brown, Michelle Blackslee, Lou Ann Meeth, Cathy Czuk, Debbie Merriman. Third Row: Mary Rodgers, Teresa Ezell, Linda Matchinski, Audrey Smith, Alice Hamilton, Mary Vielbig, Sharon Mundwiler. 2: Julie Highfield. 3: Jo Ellen Sils. 4: The reserves. 5: Pam Waits. 6: Debbie Merriman. 7: Linda Knapp, Julie Highfield, Mary Vielbig, Virginia Shafer, Kathy Kalleward. 8: Linda Knapp and Coach Jackson. Page 71, Picture 1: Pam Waits. 2: Mary Vielbig. 3: Kathy Clark. 4: Cathy Clark. 5: Mary Vielbig. 6: Linda Knapp, Kathy Clark. 7: Lou Ann Meeth. 8: Coach Jackson.

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Page 72, Picture 1: Linda Knapp. 2. Julie Highfield, Kathy Czuk. 3: Julie Highfield. 4: Cathy Czuk, Debbie Merriman, Linda Matchnski. 5: Diane Walker, Audrey Smith, Lynetta McDermott, Sue Brown, Kathy Kallaward. 6: Debbie Merriman. 7: Mr. Jackson, Bruce. 8: Mary Vielbig.

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Page 73, Picture 1: Sharon Mundwiler. 2: Alice Hamilton, Virginia Shafer, Pam Waits. 3: Mary Rodgers. 4: Cathy Clark. 5: Cathy Kallaward. 6: Teresa Ezell. 7: Lou Ann Meeth. 8: Mary Vielbig.

Spring Tennis Has Two State Champions

Sherry Acker and Dave Ballingall were the State Champions in Mixed Doubles in the Class A State Tournament. Sherry was included in the list of the top high school players in the United States. Overall, the whole team did very nicely and are expecting another good year in 1976.

Specifically, Kalamazoo Central's Tennis team had a very good year in 1975, with a record of 7 wins and 5 losses. They came in 2nd place in the Regionals, 3rd place in the Greater Kalamazoo Tennis Tournament and 3rd place in the 7-A Conference Game.

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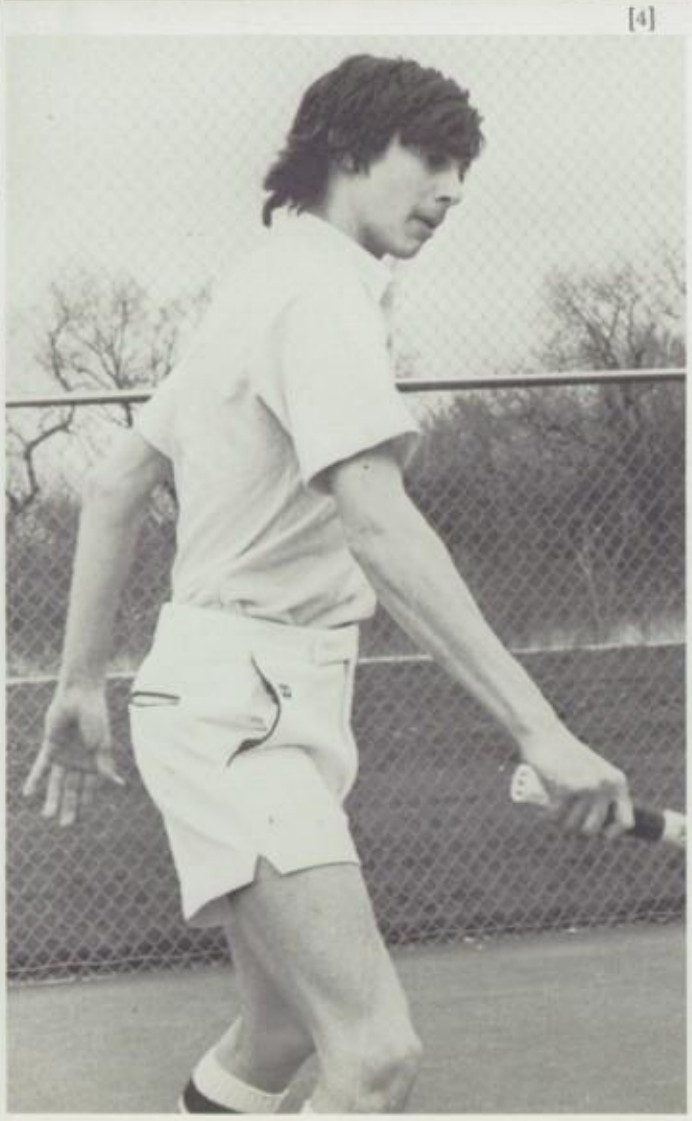

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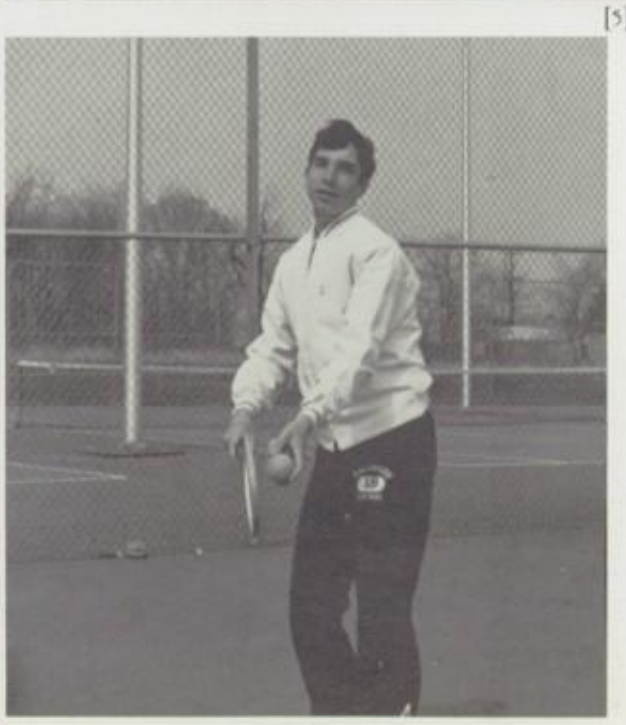

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Page 74, Picture 1: The Kalamazoo Central High Spring Tennis Team for 1975: Bottom Row: Craig Baker, Larry Ho, David Ballingal, Sherry Acker, Greg Plano, Jay Plano, Chris Smith. Top: Coach Devos, Bill Heinz, Mark Klok, Joel Grigg, Ken Kirton, Pete Dezeeuw, Steve Lantz, Mike Riebe, Chris Bischoff. 2: Sherry Acker. 3: Chris Smith. 4: Ken Kirton. 5: Steve Lantz. 6: Sherry Acker. 7: Dave Scott. Page 75, Picture 1: Dave Scott. 2: Sherry Acker. 3: Dave Ballingal. 4: Craig Becker. 5: Ken Kirton. 6: Chris Smith. 7: Leslie Hubble and Craig Becker. 8: Dave Ballingal.

Women's Tennis

The Kalamazoo Central High School 1975-76 Tennis team worked hard with their coach Georgia Hall to make their season a successful one. Their team spirit and determination helped defeat the other teams.

With the final scores as wins and losses. Sharon Mundwiler and Lori Lando were the two top players. They won first place in State Regionals.

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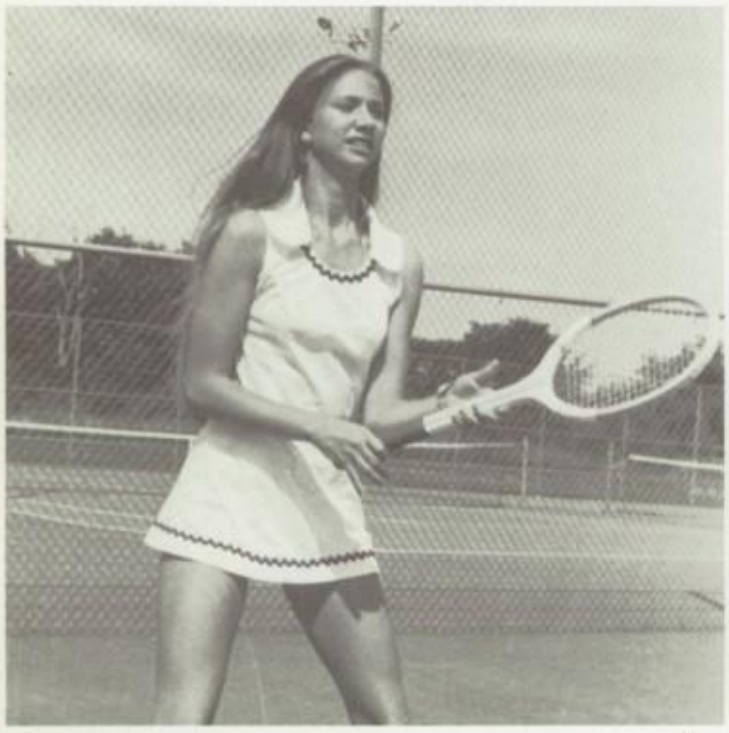

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Giant's Southwestern Michigan Football Champions

The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High School superlative football team achieved a stunning 9 and 0 season for the first time since 1905. The perfect record established the Giants as the Number 4 team in the State AP Polls, and Number 3 team in the UP Polls, and secured them a semi-finalist berth in the first Michigan High School Playoffs. It is a team with which all other Central High Football teams in the future will be compared.

For a team that was predicted to barely make the 500 mark this season, the drive, desire and determination of this group of young men was incredible. Their balanced air and ground attack, plus a stubborn defense, which only allowed 6 touchdowns in 9 games and only one in the last five games, was the finest in Southwestern Michigan.

The season began with victories over Benton Harbor, and rain sloshed Lansing Eastern. Central High fans began to suspect that this team would not be like others before it. Decisive wins over St. Joseph, Portage Central, and Battle Creek Lakeview moved the Giants into State Contention and ratings in the State Polls. In the weeks that followed Central demolished the 6th rated Battle Creek Central, 41-0, and convinced the doubters that this could be the Giants year. The final victories over Portage Northern, Niles, and Loy Norrix were tough, hard-fought crunching games, which established the Central High Football Team as the finest in the state.

With this victorious perfect season came the Greater Kalamazoo Trophy representing football supremacy in Southwestern Michigan, All-State Honors for the football players, and a sense of pride that this was the greatest football team in Kalamazoo Central High's History. Coach Jim Long and his staff represented the highest traditions in athletics for this school and community.

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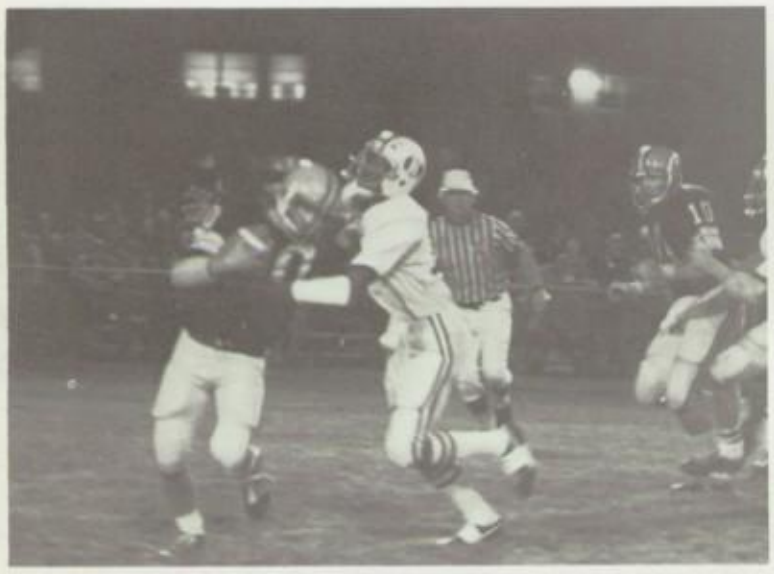

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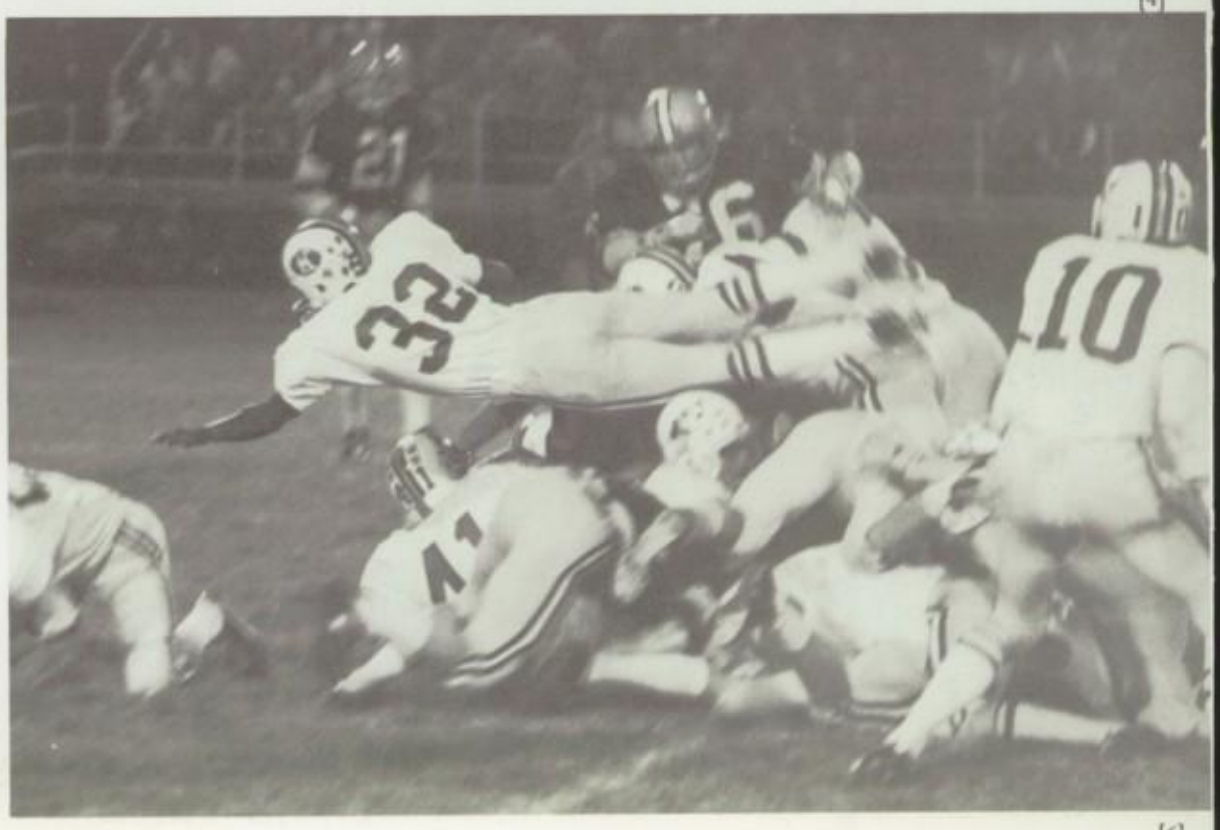

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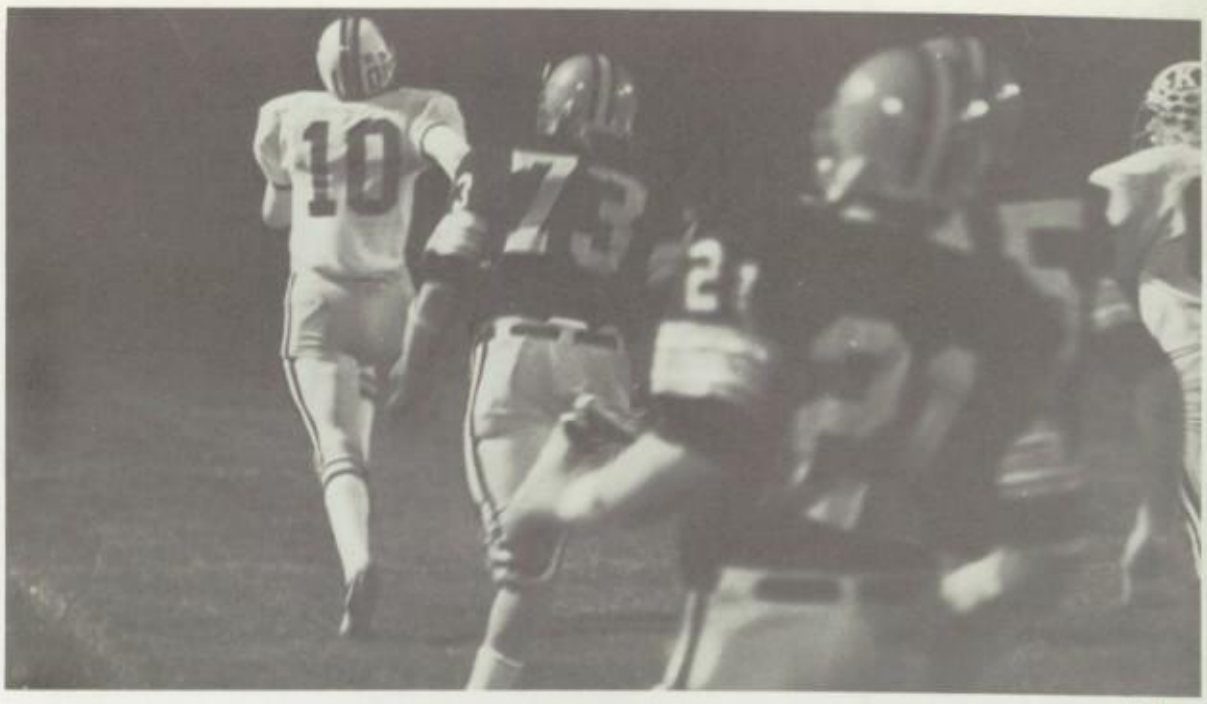
1975
Kalamazoo Central Football Scoreboard

Kalamazoo Central	33	Benton Harbor	8
Kalamazoo Central	14	Lansing Eastern	6
Kalamazoo Central	17	St. Joseph	6
Kalamazoo Central	33	Portage Central	12
Kalamazoo Central	10	Battle Creek Lakeview	0
Kalamazoo Central	41	Battle Creek Central	0
Kalamazoo Central	35	Portage Northern	6
Kalamazoo Central	6	Niles	0
Kalamazoo Central	6	Loy Norrix	3
State Semi-Finals:			
Kalamazoo Central	6	Traverse City	35
Totals:			
Kalamazoo Central	201	Opponents	76



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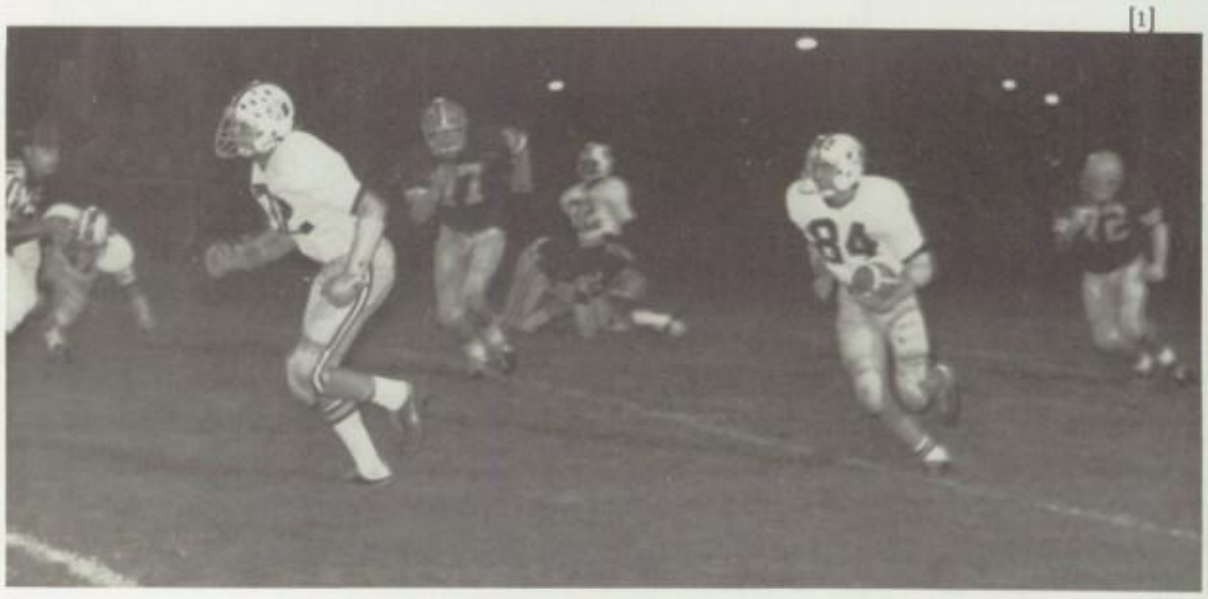

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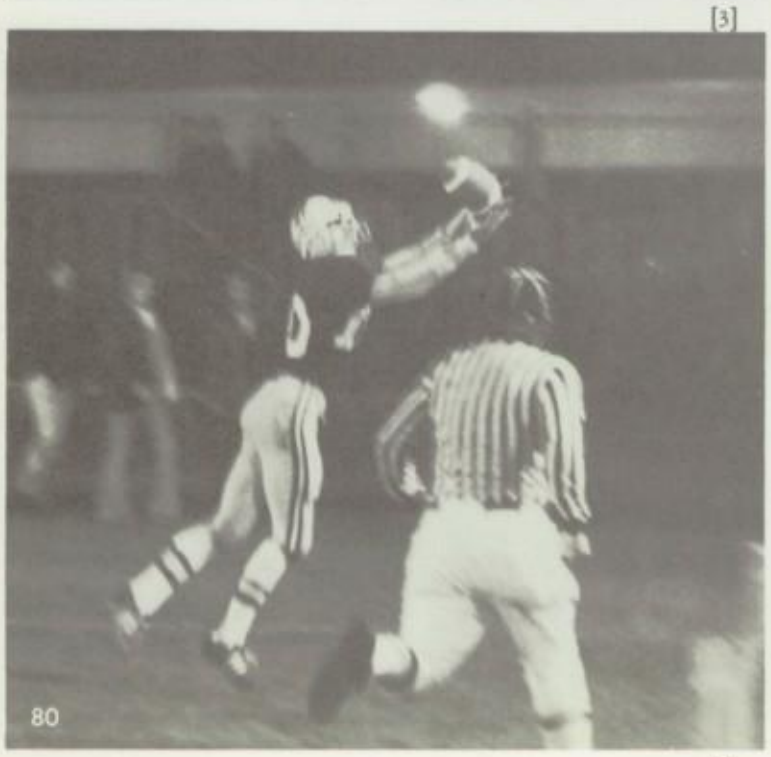

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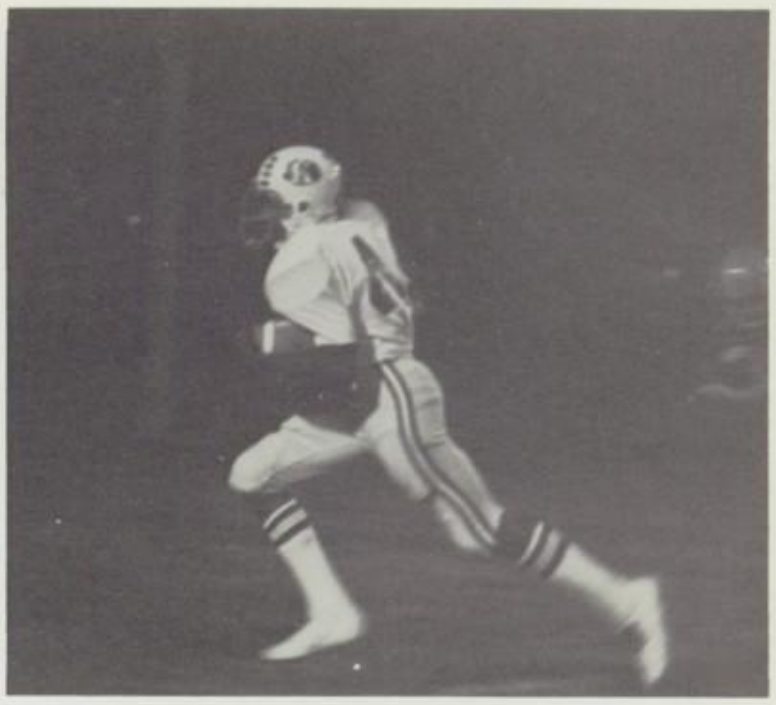
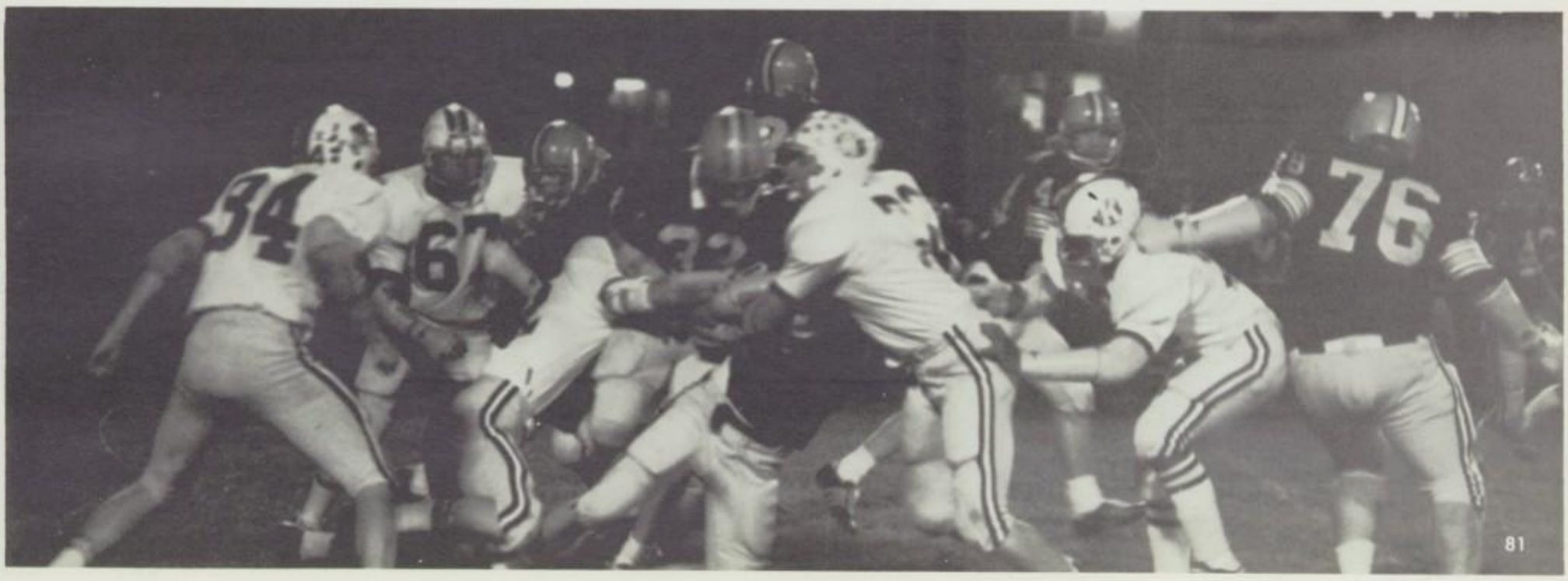


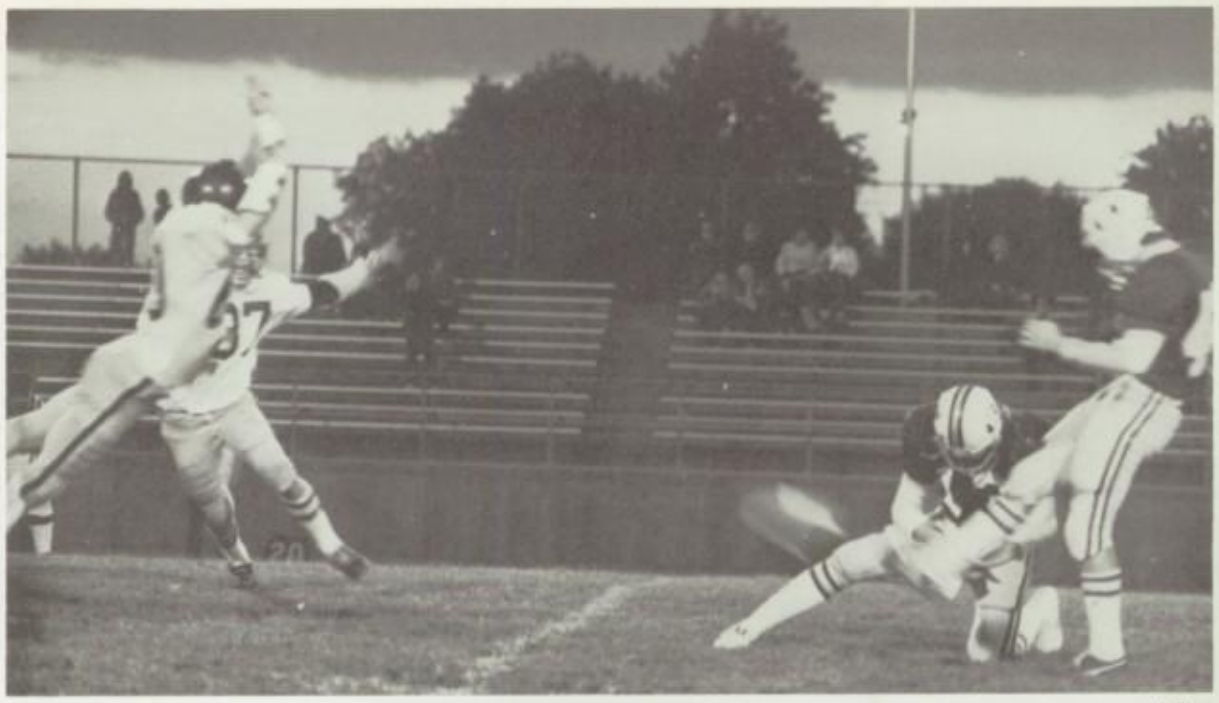
Page 80, 1: Tim Clysdale streaks for a touchdown. Bob Truax blocks. 2: Tim Clysdale snatches pass. 3: Dave Clark running, Phil Lytle blocks. 4: Frandk Woodson. 5: Frank Woodson, Bob Truax. 6: Tim Clysdale. 7: Albert Little hands off to Steve Smith, Al Jackson blocks. Page 81, 1: Steve Smith. 2: Al Jackson in for six points. 3: Steve Smith in for a touchdown, Al Jackson, Mike Olech. 4: Tim Clysdale. 5: Terry Moreman, Davie Smith, James Bufford. 6: Defense holds them: Dave Clark, Bob Truax, Michael Joseph.



1975
Senior Honor Roll
Kalamazoo Central High Football

Rick Atkins
Ron Blue
Eloy Cantu
Dave Clark
Tim Clysdale
Mark Ferguson
Rick Grooten
Ted Harley
Al Jackson
Mike Joseph
Albert Little
Phil Lytle
Terry Moerman
Paul Nedervelt
Steve Smith
Bob Truax
Robert Wellington
Terry Wells
Bob Wilbur
Frank Woodson

Picture 1: Mark Ferguson puts his foot into it. 2: Frank Woodson. 3: Al Jackson in record breading 90 yard run. 4: Defense. 5: Tim Clysdale catches pass. 6: Dave Smith finds room to run.



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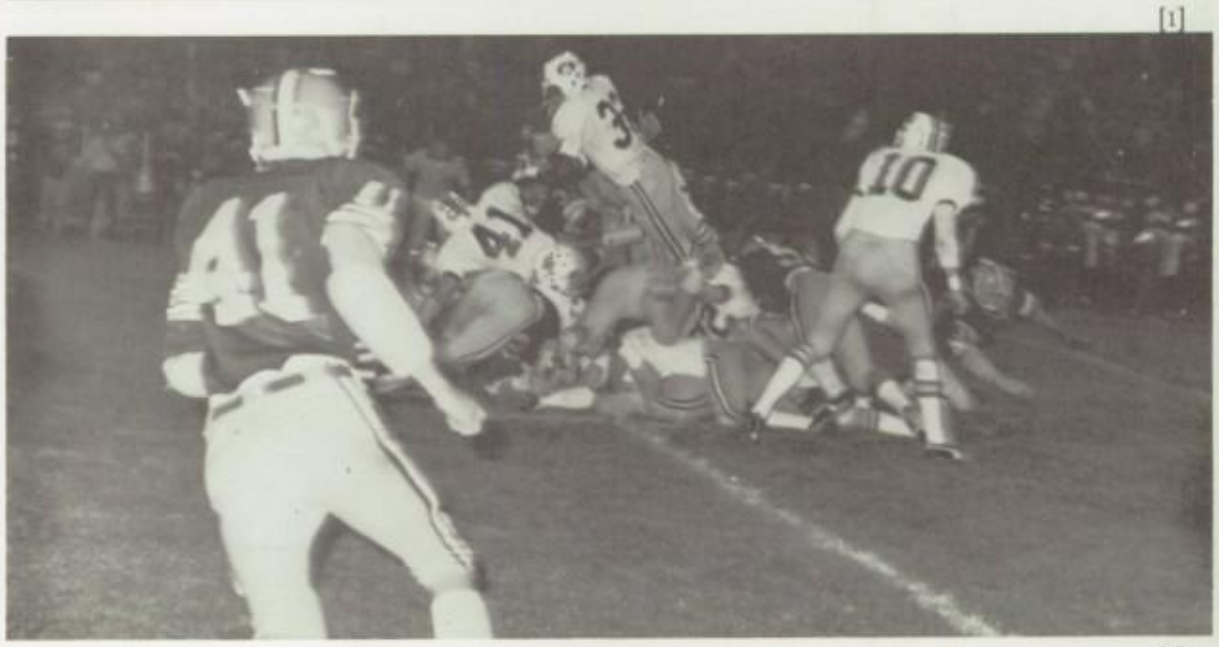

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The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High School Varsity Football Team: First Row, Left to Right: Coach Bendix, Karry Jackson, Michieke Soge, David Smith, Terry Moreman, Al Jackson, Max Moore, Rick Atkins, Rick Stroud, James Bufford, Phillip Husband, Waydee Warnders, David Abbey, Coach Moretti. 2nd Row: Coach Otte, Steve Kick, Tom Moss, Michael Ozier, Tony Good, Greg Parker, Bon Blue, Mark Ferguson, Bob Truax, Michael Joseph, Craig Rowekamp, Kirk Finchem, Eloy Cantu, Coach Johnston. 3rd Row: Dave Clark, Steve Nutt, Mike Olech, Robert Wellington, Bob Wilbur, Albert Little, Scott Frasher, Coach Long, Rick Grooten, Coach Davis, Phil Lytle, Paul Nederveldt, Ted Harley, Frandk Woodson, Al Taborn, Terry Wells, Tim Clysdale.

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The 1975 Seniors: First Row, Left to Right: Coach Johnston, Terry Wells, Terry Moerman, Al Jackson, Rick Atkins, Bob Truax, Michael Joseph, Frandk Woodson, Eloy Cantu, Ted Harley, Coach Davis. 2nd Row: Scott Frasher, Robert Wellington, Bob Wilbur, Rick Grooten, Ron Blue, Albert Little, Coach Long, Mark Ferguson, David Clark, Tim Clysdalse, Phil Lytle, Paul Nederveldt, Coach Davis.

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Giants Homecoming

The first days of Homecoming '75 were celebrated by a Fifties Day. Everybody dressed in the old clothes of their parents and had a good time in their classes. Some of the dresses were just out of this world. The other days were colors day, athletes day, sweater day, grub day and every day was a day of celebration and fun. There was even a "clean day," where most of the student body dressed up in their Sunday best. Homecoming '75 was an unqualified success.

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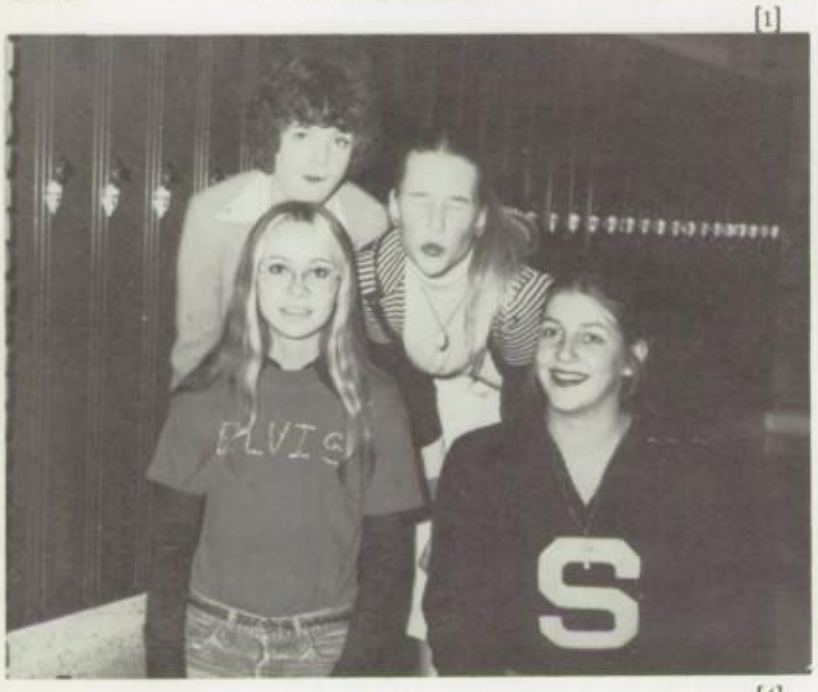

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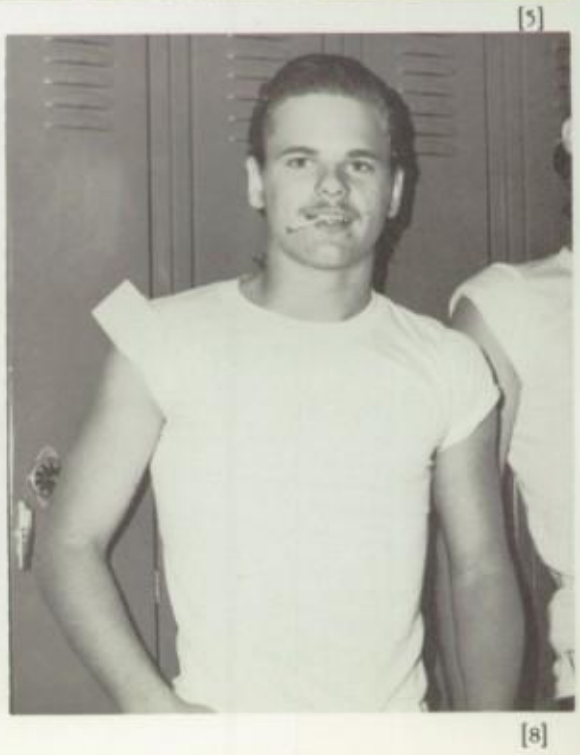

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Page 87: 1: Debbie Jones, Irma Gilland, Shirley Edwards. 2: Kevin Clement, Julie Dalton. 3: Craig Owens, Royetta Fry, Patricia McGrew. 4: Steve Heystek, Amy Dalton. 5: Julie Hill, Dave Williams, Shari Sparks, Rennetta Moore. 6: Liz Shon. 7: Carol Donahue, Debbie Jones, Ronnie Moore, Julie Bernard.

Powder-Puff — 1975

The annual Powder-Puff Football game between the underclasswomen and the senior women was as spirited as ever this year. With Nelsen Stephensen, Bob Horton, Dick Seydel, and Bob Hall as coaches the girls fought for the honor of school supremacy for the next school year. The Junior-Sophomore contingent finally won after a fierce struggle that was marked by some wild illegal tackles and some fine running by Liz Shon, Kay Barsow, Kathy Daly and some fine underclassmen. After the game the bonfire was held and refreshments were served at the gym. It was a totally enjoyable game for the men's football team, who cheered them on from the sidelines.

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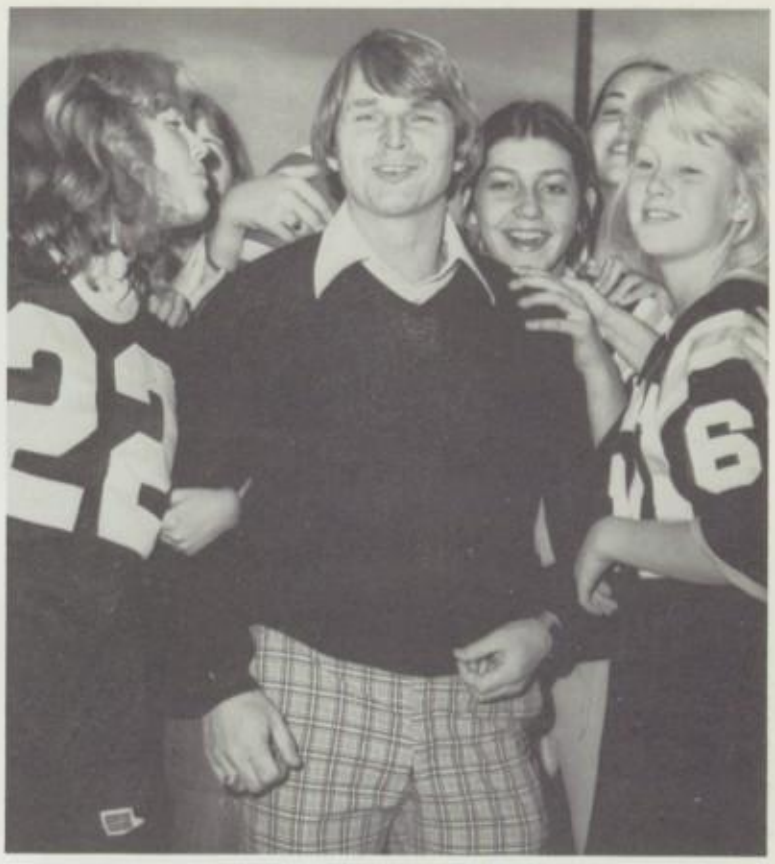

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Giants Homecoming

This year's 1975 Kalamazoo Central High Fall Homecoming brought new ideas and victories to the school. Each class competed in Faculty-Senior Football game, the Powder-Puff Football Game, the shoppers-cart relay races, the egg-throwing contests and the Homecoming Float competition. The royalty of Homecoming was shared, no King or Queen was named this year. Activities went on all week, such as the Bean Jar Contest, the Anatomy of the Teacher Matching Contest, and the Faculty Pie Eating Contest at the Pep Assembly. The Homecoming Float Contest was won for the first time in memory by the Sophomore Class and the Juniors and Sophomores won the Powder-Puff Game, and finally the Seniors beat the Faculty in their football game. Congratulations to all those students who made the "Wonderful World of Giants" possible in October 1975.

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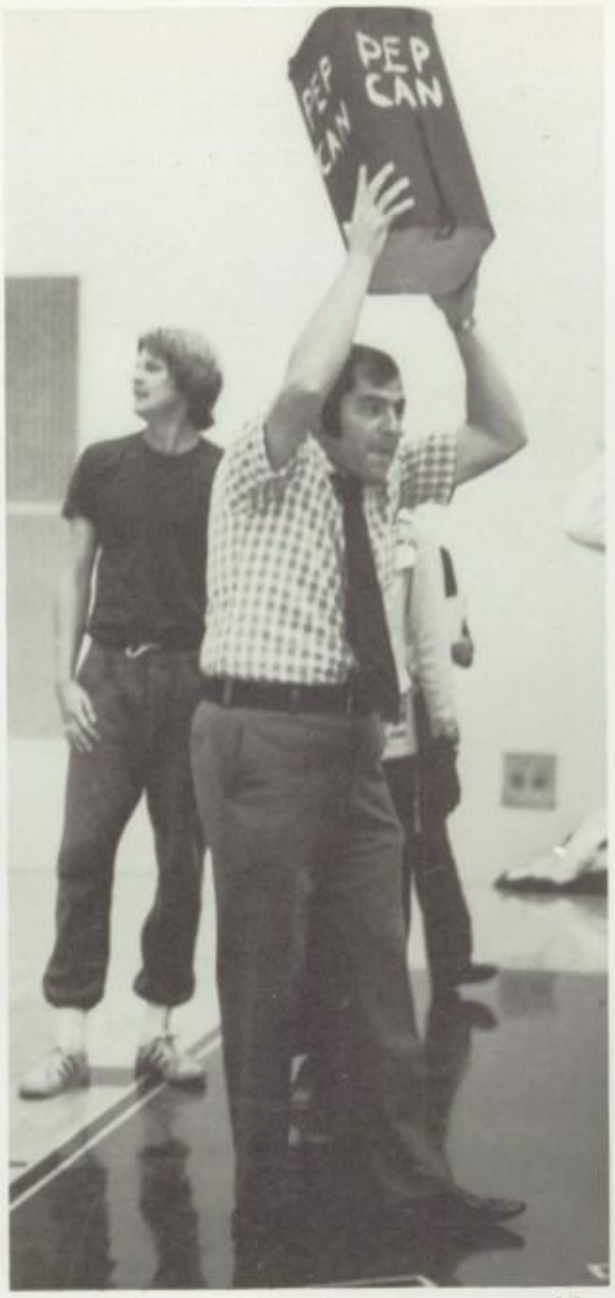

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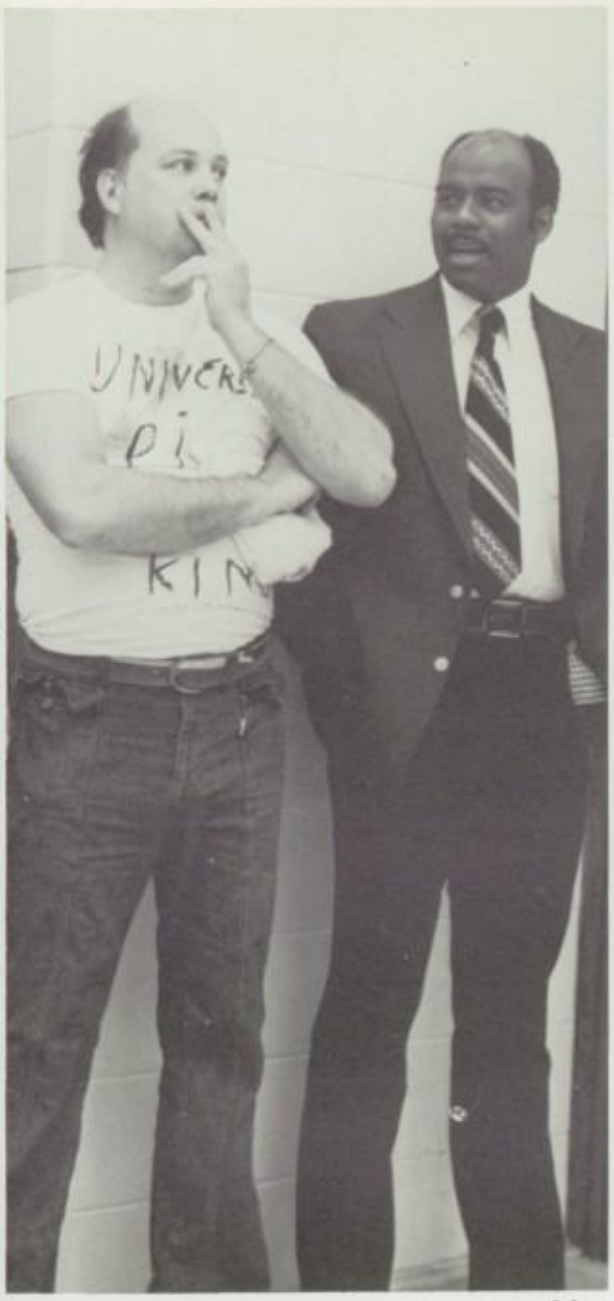

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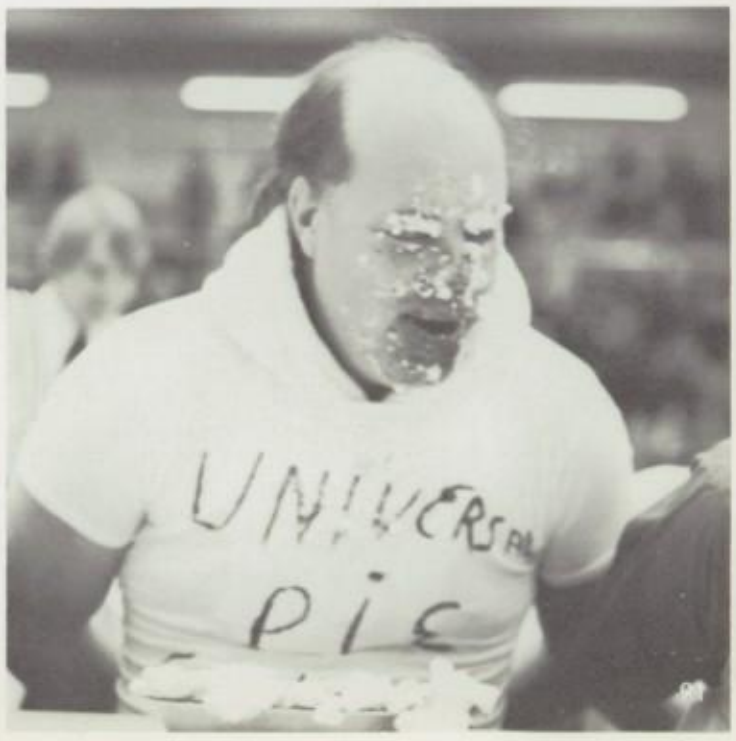

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Homecoming Victory Dance

The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High Homecoming Dance capped a week long festival of student activities. With a victory over Battle Creek Lakeview as a start, the dance was a huge success. It brought everyone together to dance, relax, or just sit and talk while listening to the band. "Phase Four" provided the music, which everyone enjoyed. "Giant" cakes and beverages were served as refreshments and the members of the 1975 Court were introduced. The final event was sponsored by the Senior Class, and it was one of the larger dances held at the school. It was a super way to end Homecoming 1975.

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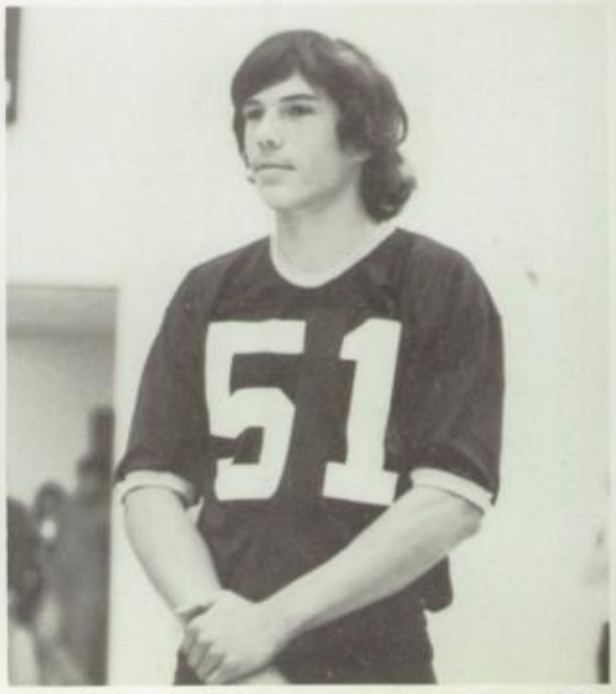

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Page 92: 1: Kathy Daly, Nancy Brigham, Kay Barstow. 2: Jane Barrett, Karen Burns. 3: Just having a good time. 4: Noreen Daly, Kathy Kellogg, Wendy Maxwell, Wade Warner, Jim Hornback, Joel Jablonski. 5: Lynetta McDermott, Mary Blandenship, Sherry Acker. 6: Royetta Fry, Kathy DeGroat, Linda Knapp, Levie Ledbetter. 7: Charles Clark. 8: Ted Harley. Page 93: 1: Levie Ledbetter, Linda Knapp, Kathy DeGroat. 2: Linda Richter, Jeff Brown. 3: Couples relaxing. 4: Don Knoechel, Craig Becker, Kellie Walton, Cheryl Knapp, Ellen Knight. 5: Karen Burns. 6: The 1975 Homecoming Court: Eddie Starks, Kathy Daly, Ted Harley, Pam Yarger, Bob Truax, Kathy DeGroat, Greg Thompson, Nancy Brigham, Rick Atkins, Levie Ledbetter, Chris Gant, Linda Knapp, Tim Clysdale, Kay Barstow, Dave Clark, Steve Smith, Jane Barrett, Karen Burns. 7: Dave Clark, Kay Barstow. 8: Levie Ledbetter, Nancy Brigham, Albert Little.

Cross Country Team Rebuilds for Future

The 1976 Kalamazoo Central Cross-Country Team has been very fortunate this year to have one of the top runners in the state on its team, Tom Pompey. This year's team was young with a large number of underclassmen participating and showing signs of great future growth.

The team is anxiously awaiting its entrance as a participant in the Big Eight conference which is one of the strongest Cross-Country conferences in the state. Coach Pedler anticipates strong challenges will come from Loy Norrix, St. Joesph and Portage Northern who are consistently three of the top ten in the state.

As a new addition this year a women's Cross-Country team was formed. Tremendous growth is expected in this new area in future years.

The initial year's schedule consisted of several dual meets in Sturgis and the Greater Kalamazoo invitational.

The Cross-Country team also played at Holland, Battle Creek Lakeview, Battle Creek Central and Portage Central. The home meets consisted of St. Joseph, Portage Northern, Niles and Loy Norrix. Our home meets took place at the Old Colony Farm.

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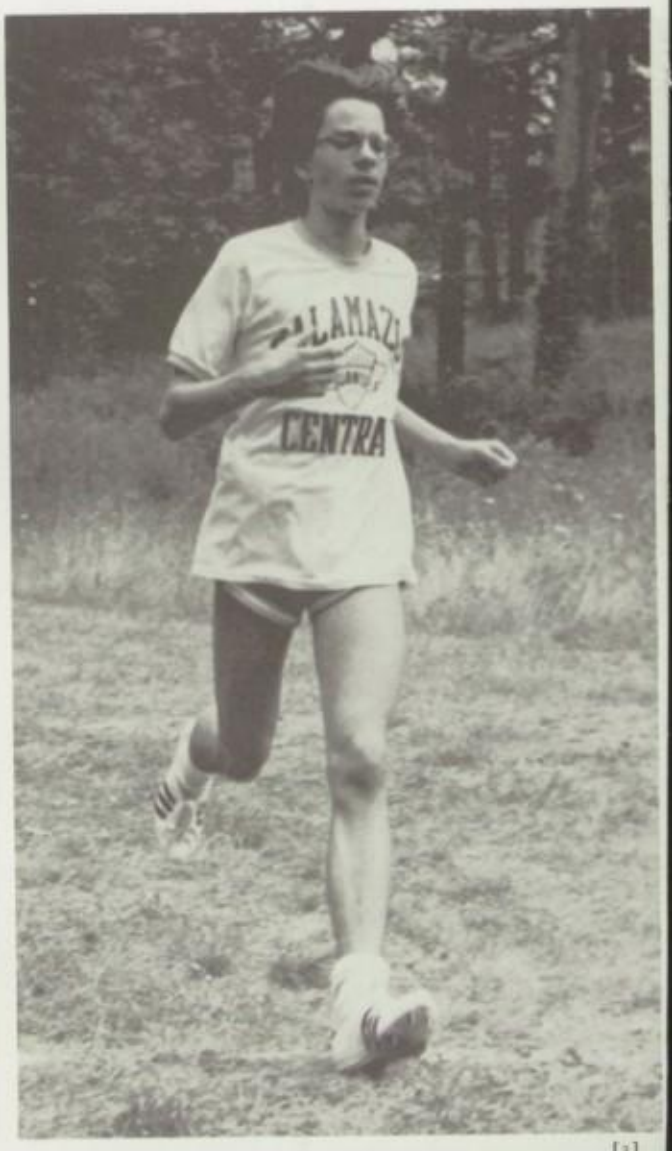

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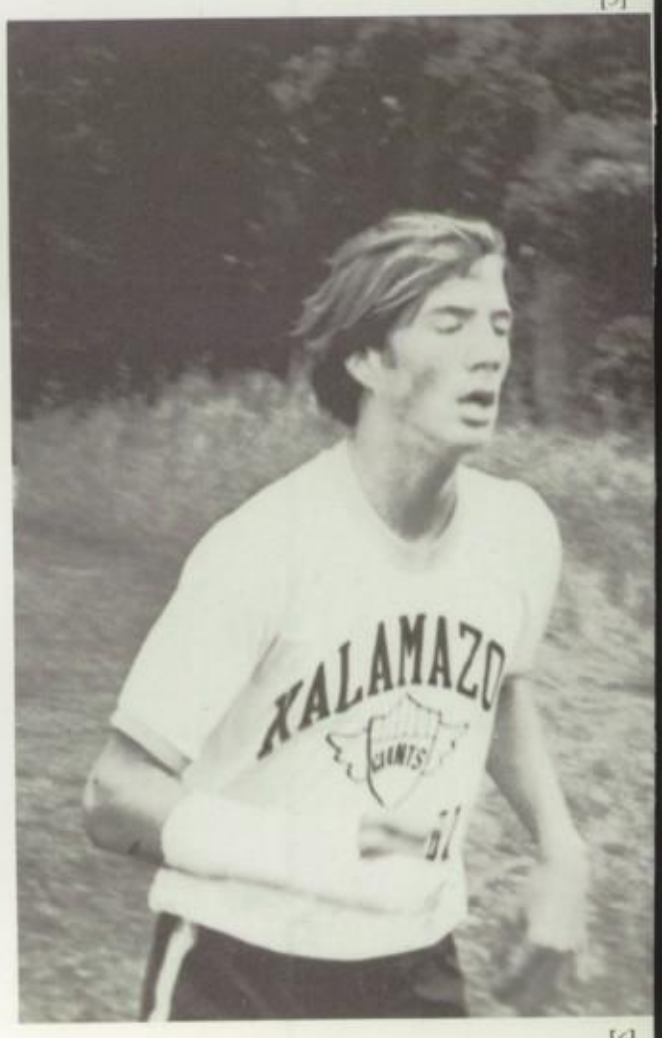

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Men's Golf in 2nd in G-K Tournament

Although this year's Men's Golf Team wasn't as good as last year's team, the 1975 team finished their season in high spirits by placing 2nd, as a team in the Greater Kalamazoo Tournament which took place this year at Lake Doster.

Individual awards were given to Blaine Kubiack who took a second and Doug Thole, who took fifth. Doug Thole is also up for All-City honors for his winning ways on the Kalamazoo Central High Golf Team over the last three years.

With all his young golfers coming back next year, Coach Treloar is looking forward to a winning season in 1976.

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Names: Page 96, Picture 1: Doug Thole. 2: Marty Lohse. 3: Left to Right: Marty Lohse, Dave Williams, Craig Becker, Doug Thole, Bill Grashorn. 4: Jim Yonker. 5: Dee Godfrey. 6: Team Picture: Bill Grashorn, Doug Thole, Blaine Kubiak, Greg Raklovits, Marty Lohse, Kurt Holton, Dave Williams, Jim Yonkers, Dee Godfrey, Craig Becker, Dave Heemstra and Ed Patliff. 7: Dave Williams. Page 97, Picture 1: Dave Heemstra. 2: Mr. Treloar. 3: 1st Row, Left to Right: Dave Heemstra, Ed Patliff, Craig Becker. 2nd Row, Left to Right: Jim Yonker, Dave Williams, Dee Godfrev, Marty Lohse. 3rd Row, Left to Right: Kurt Holton, Blaine Kubiak, Bill Grashorn, Doug Thole, Greg Raklovits. 4: Bill Grashorn. 5: Blaine Kubiak and Greg Raklovits. 6: Mr. Treloar. 7: Kurt Holton. 8: Craig Becker. 9: Ed Patliff.

Women Swim to Victory!

"Swimmers take your marks, get set, — go." That was the command as the Women's Swim Team began its third year of competition. Starting as soon as school does, the young ladies have swim meets until the beginning of November. They practice two hours a day, with one or two meets each week. Starting with a small team in 1974, the Women's Swim Team has grown to over thirty strong and have shown a 100% improvement in 1975.

Their new coach, Miss Blum, is also very enthusiastic and spends a lot of her time working with the young mermaids. It is a young team with only a handful of seniors, so that the 1976 season promises to be a victorious one.

The strongest swimmer for the 1975 season was Mary Jo Rockwell, who is a senior. She has made State Meet competition for three years straight, and promises to continue her career in college.

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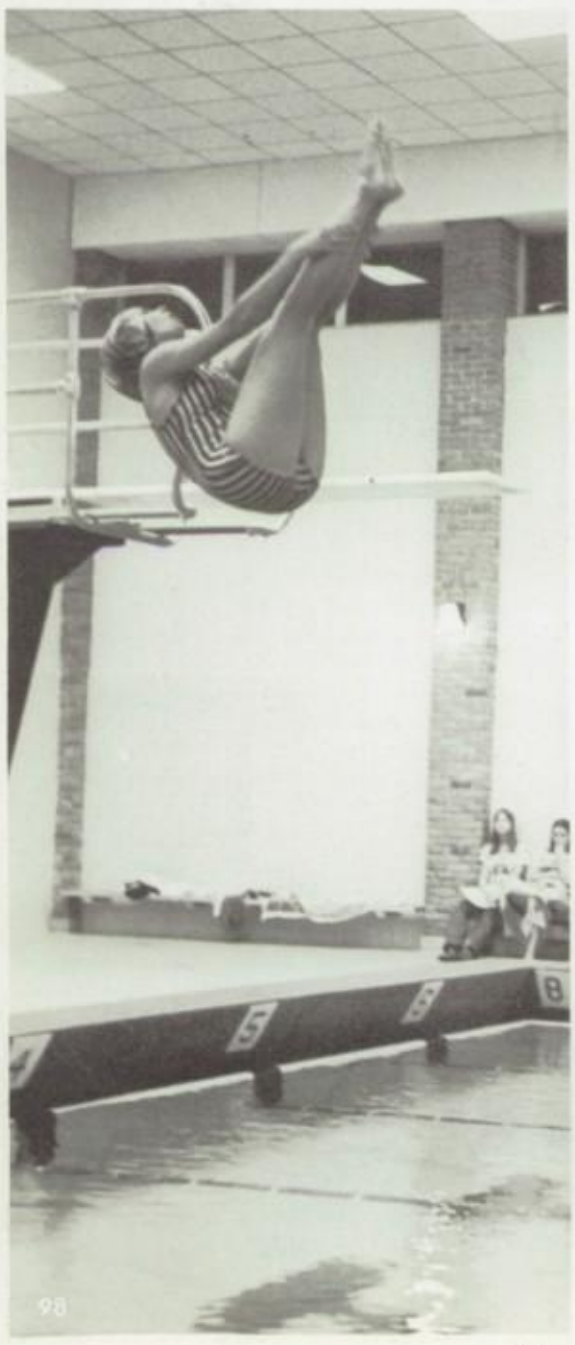

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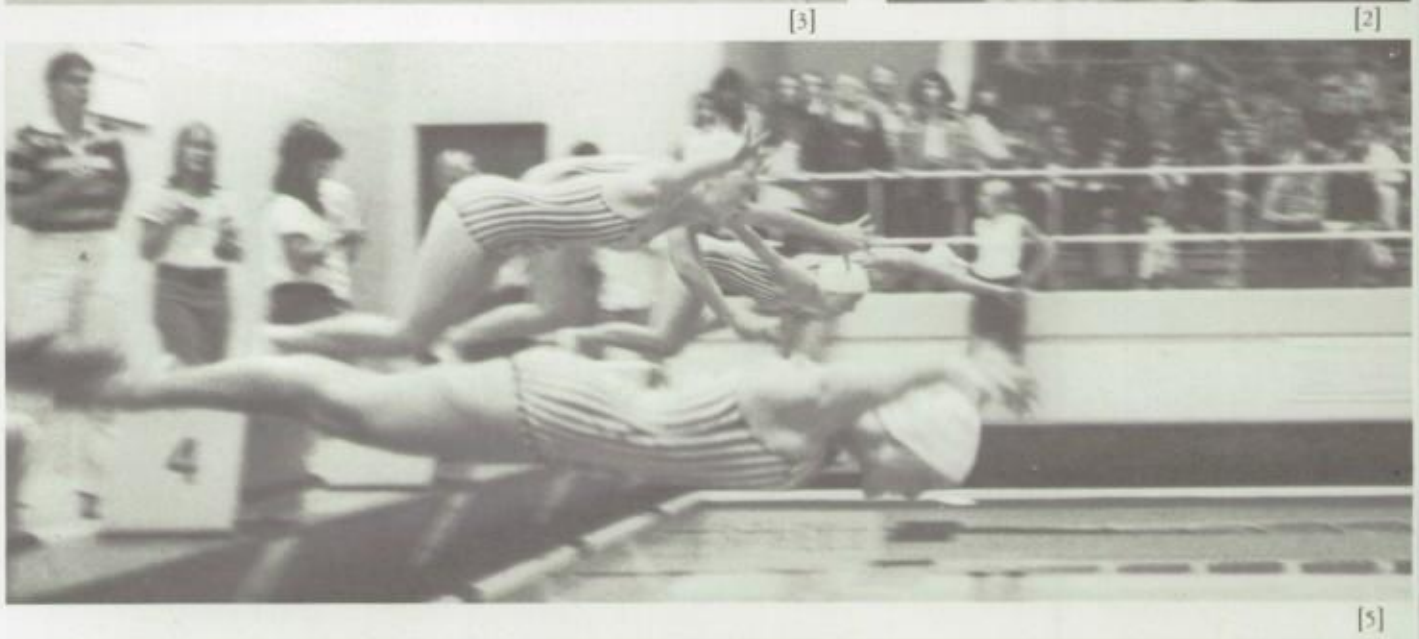

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Page 98, 1: Amy Saville. 2: Kay Asher. 3: Laurie Rohs. 4: Diver. 5: A fast start. 6: The 1975 Kalamazoo Central High School Women's Swimming Team: Front Row, Left to Right: Michelle Blakeslee, Carol Gregory, Amy Saville, Wendy Maxwell, Marshall Woodworth, Kay Asher, Becky Oswald, Jill Asher, Ginger Lund, Diane Porath. Middle Row: Pat Sabo, Alison Marsh, Rebecca Williams, Kim Brown, Karen Burns, Mary Jo Rockwell, Laurie Rohs, Kai Ga Lielzuoka, Katy Brown, Becky Van Sweden, Tourjous Jackson. Back Row: Miss Blum, Cindy Baker, Mary Rogers, Yvonne Treloar, Diea McCormick, Coby Warrick, Amy Boukaout, Claudia Mann, Sharon Genlser, Kim Rizzo, Karen DeYoung, Sharon Kreling, Unknown, Kathy Higashi, Mary Pattison. Page 99, 1: Cindy Baker. 2: Mary Jo Rockwell. 3: Debbie Keene. 4: Karen Burns, Ginger Lund, Coach Blum. 5: Kay Asher, Karen Burns, Jill Asher. 6: Amy Saville. 7: Kathy Higashi. 8: Deia McCormick, Becky Van Sweden, Laurie Rohs, Sharon Gensler, Pat Dean.

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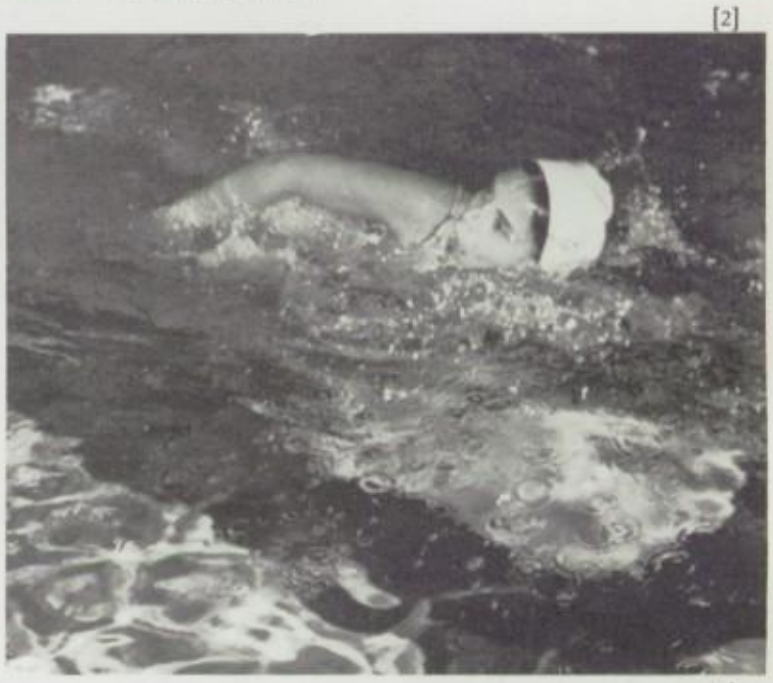

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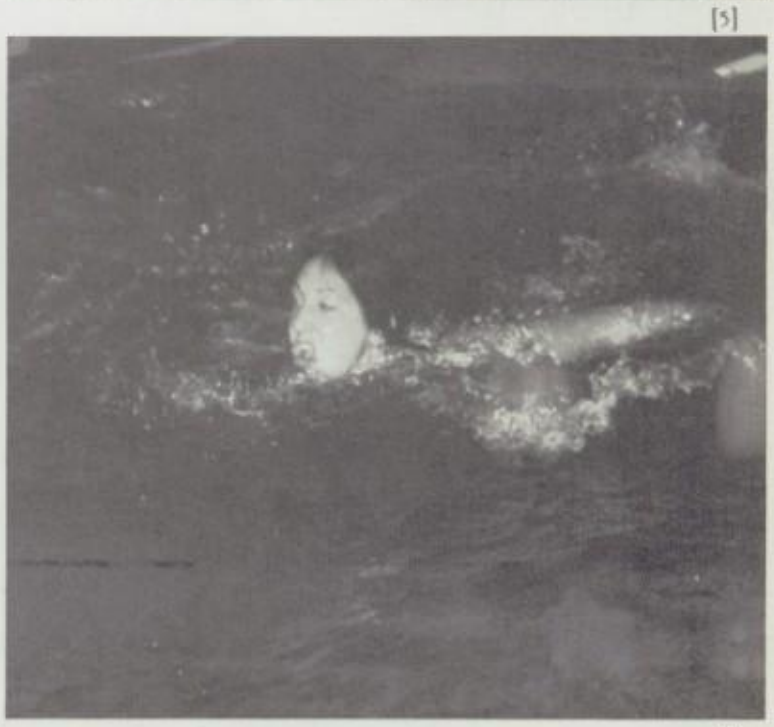

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Women's Basketball Team Rebuilds for '76

The 1975 Kalamazoo Central's Women's Basketball Teams were rebuilding this year after almost making the Regionals in 1974. The Junior Varsity team has 4 wins and 4 losses as this section of the Delphian goes to press. Anne Costello is the leading rebounder for the team, and the spark plug of the JV's. The Varsity has a ho-hum record of two wins and six losses, and is looking to next year. Mary Vielbig is the high scorer for the team, and also the leading rebounder. Other fine contributors to both teams are Deena Cantu, Liz Shon, Peggy Holton, Linda Knapp and Kay Barstow. With a little bit of luck and some more experience, next year's team will be stronger and better. The women's team represents Central in the finest sportsmanship traditions, and we at Central High support and cheer them on to a better season in 1976.

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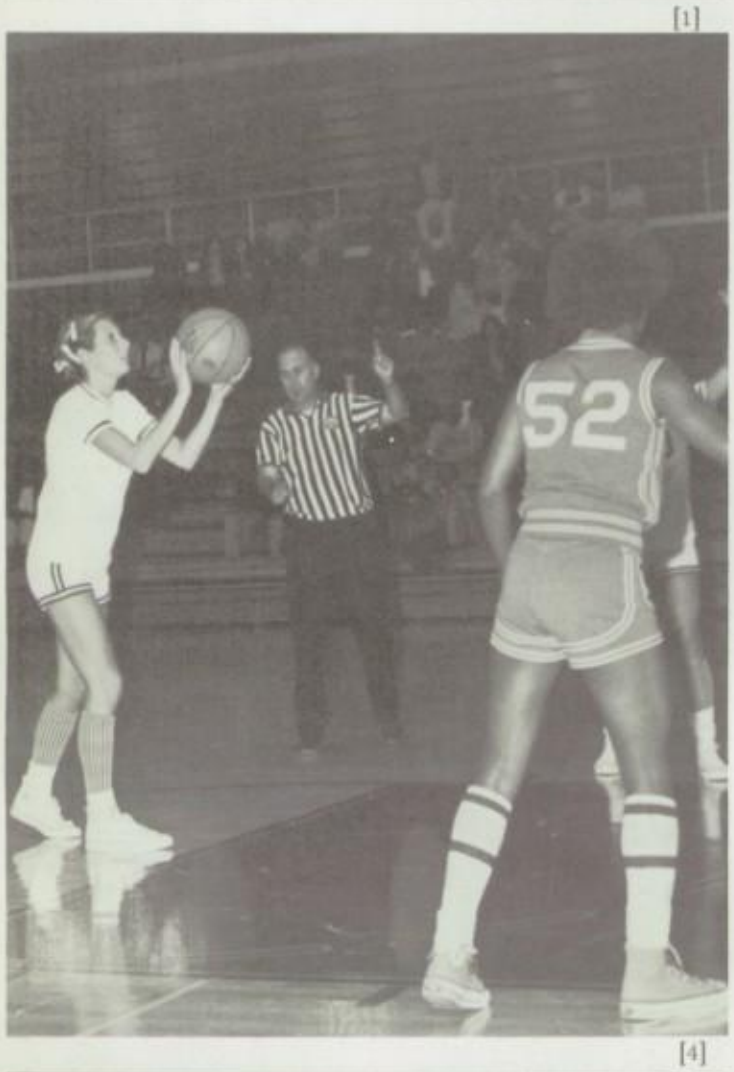

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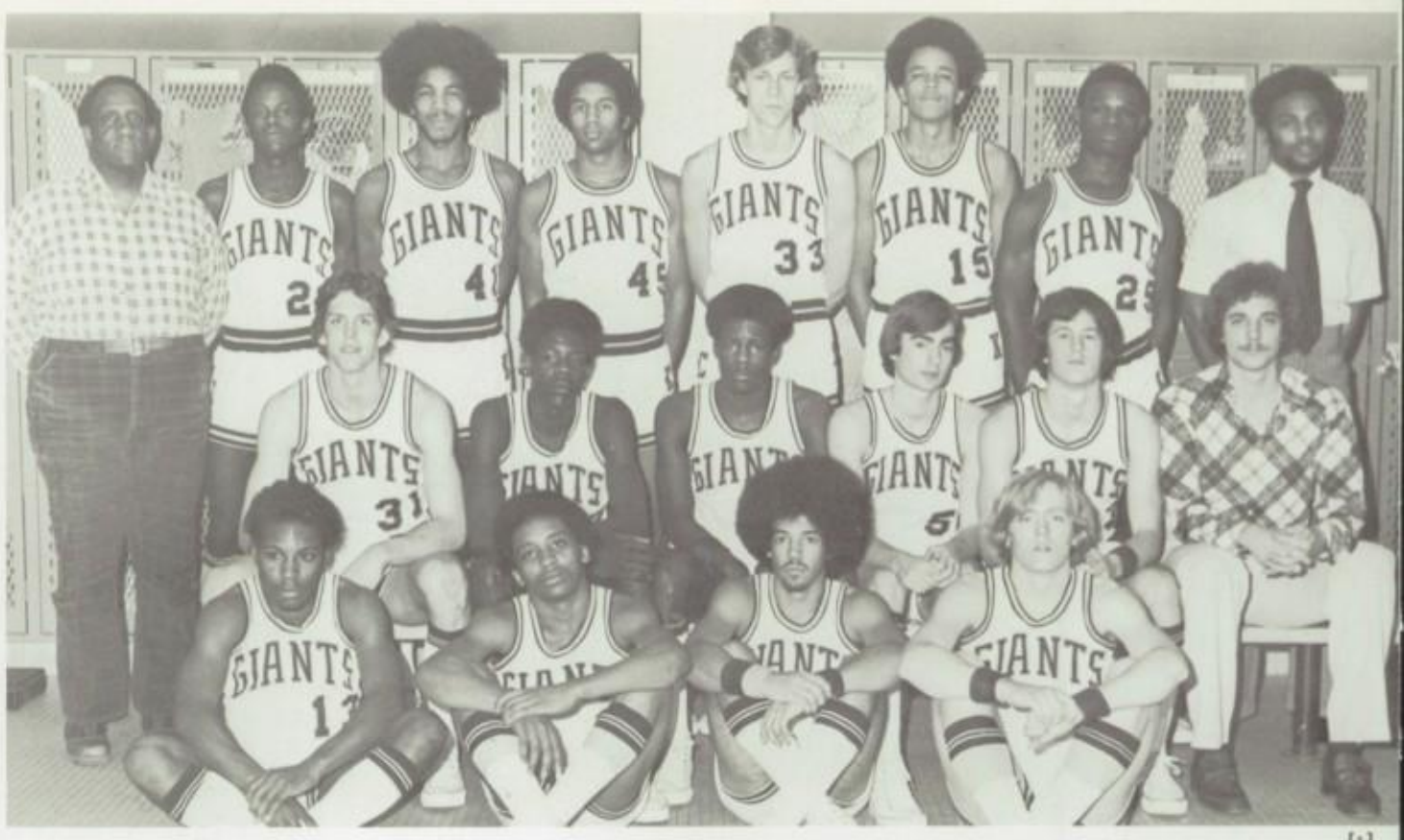
Spirited Giants Work Hard

The Kalamazoo Central High School Varsity Basketball team has not won many games this year, but they are impressive in spirit. Lead by experienced seniors Talbert Ollie, Benson Isaacs, Chris Gant and Charles (St. Louis) Brandon, Eddie Boyd, the team improved steadily all year and never gave up.

Most games were lost by small margins and with a little luck the season might have gone in the other direction. Coaches Jackson and Gardner felt that this team showed more improvement than many of the teams of the past.

The 1976 Giant Basketball team fought hard, long and well and that is all any coach can ask of any team.



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Page 106, 1: The Kalamazoo Central Varsity Basketball Team: Front Row: Al Jackson, Eddie Boyd, Chris Gant, Chris Smith. Second Row: Tim Clysdale, Charles Lee, Albert Little, Mike Kocher, John Keep, Coach Sentz. Back Row: Coach Jackson, Charles Brandon, Benson Isaac, Al Taborn, Ken Kirton, Talbert Ollie, Greg Parker, Coach Gardner. 2: Charles Lee. 3: Greg Phillips. 4: Craig Boers. 5: Jimmy Ross. 6: Greg Brown. Page 107, 1: Greg Parker. 2: The Junior Varsity Basketball Team: Front Row: Warren Ezell, Mike Bryant, Randy Ball. Second Row: Greg Bishop, Kim Jackson, Ken Barlow, Jimmy Ross, Greg Phillips. Third Row: Coach Gardner, Jeff VanHoeven, Ricky Robinson, Greg Brown, Oscar Brown, Daryl Sturdivant, Craig Boers. 3: Charles (Saint) Brandon. 4: Benson Isaac, Charles Brandon, Talbert Ollie, Eddie Boyd. 5: Kim Jackson. 6: Coach Jackson. 7: Greg Brown, Oscar Brown.

Junior Varsity Bright Light for the Future

Leading the way into the future are Greg Brown, Oscar Brown, Kim Jackson, and Greg Bishop. These men are the spearhead of Coach Clarence Gardner's fine Kalamazoo Central High Junior Varsity Basketball Team. At the time of Delphian Publication the team had an outstanding record of 8 and 1 and looked forward to an extremely successful year. Coach Gardner also had high hopes for Warren Ezell, Greg Phillips, Jeff VanHoeven and Ricky Robinson, and a couple of other players were coming along just fine as well.

Both Coach Jackson and Gardner look forward to seeing these young men next year when the Kalamazoo Central Maroon Giants basketball fortunes are about to improve considerably.

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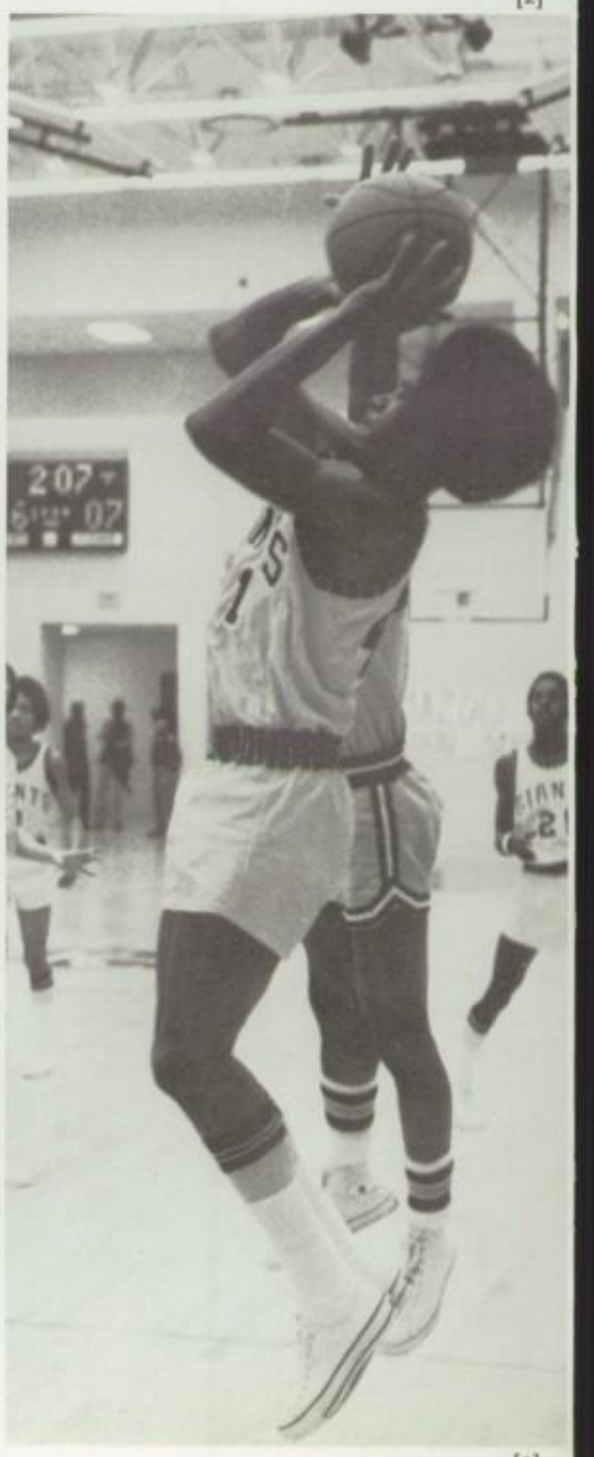

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Central Skaters Flash

One of the newer and more exciting sports is Hockey. And Central High has an excellent team this year. Coach Gil Hasso and his skaters have an impressive 6 and 2 record going into the later part of the season. The Giant Skaters were runner-ups in the Holiday Tournament with only one loss to Portage Northern. The top Giants for Coach Hasso this year were Rick Atkins, Don Prior and Goalie Dave Wierick. The team is young, fast, and powerful. With a little luck and lot of work, the Central High School Maroon Giants Hockey Team may well go all the way to the State Championship this year.

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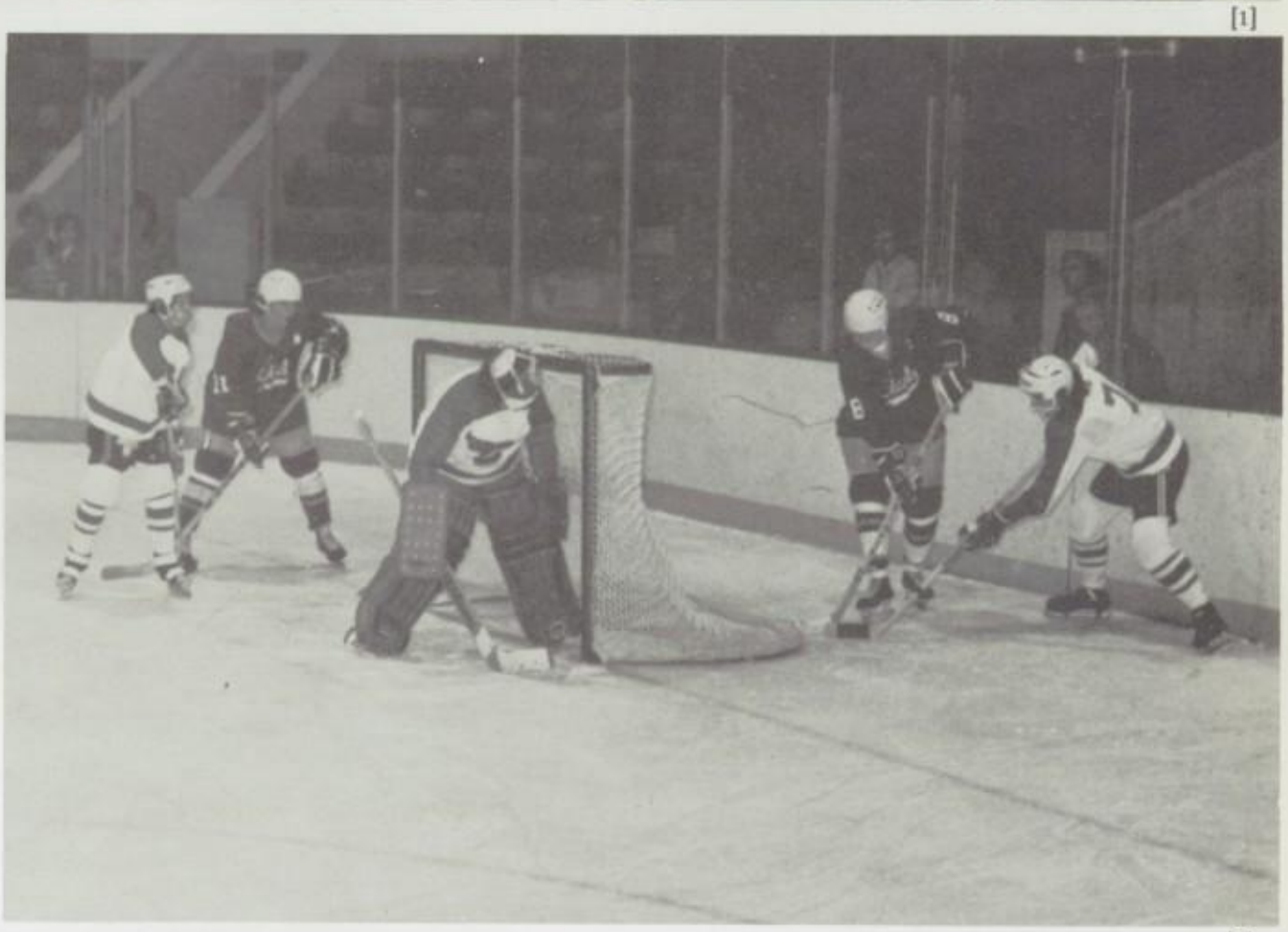

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Page 112, Picture 1: Rick Atkins and Woody Woodworth work together to set up an impending goal. The puck is just going past the goalie. 2: Bill Dahl, Mike Dickey, Dan Wovcha and Dewitt Godfrey on a powerplay past the Comstock opposition. 3: Don Prior moving in for a slap shot. 4: Several of the players skating for the elusive puck. Page 113, Picture 1: The 1976 Central High School Hockey Team: Front Row, Left to Right: Manager, Tim Grimis; Mike Lorenz, Dan Wovcha, Kurt Finchem, Dave Wierick, Paul Woodworth, Tim Jones. Second Row, Left to Right: Bill Dahl, Mike Dickie, Dewitt Godfrey, Rick Atkins, Don Prior, Manager Coach: Joel Grigg. Third Row: Coach Randy Moy, Coach Steve Kirpatrick, Matt Westley, Gregg Racklovits, Phil Lytle, Gregg Rowekamp, Blaine Kubiak, Rick Jones and Coach Gilbert Hasso.
2: Rick Jones moving in on defense to cross-check the opposing forward moving up the ice. 3: Rick Atkins and Paul Woodworth digging the puck out from behind the opposition's net. 4: Bill Dahl moving in for a score.

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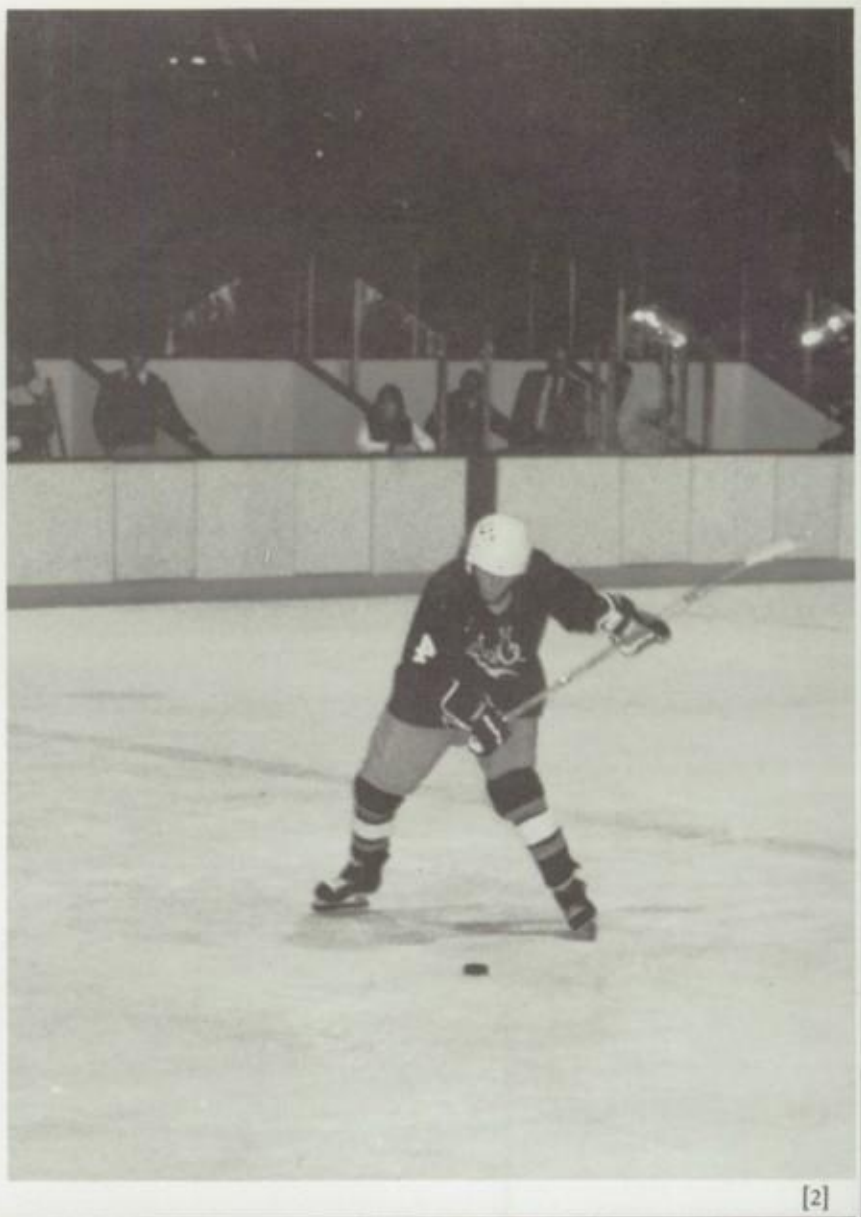

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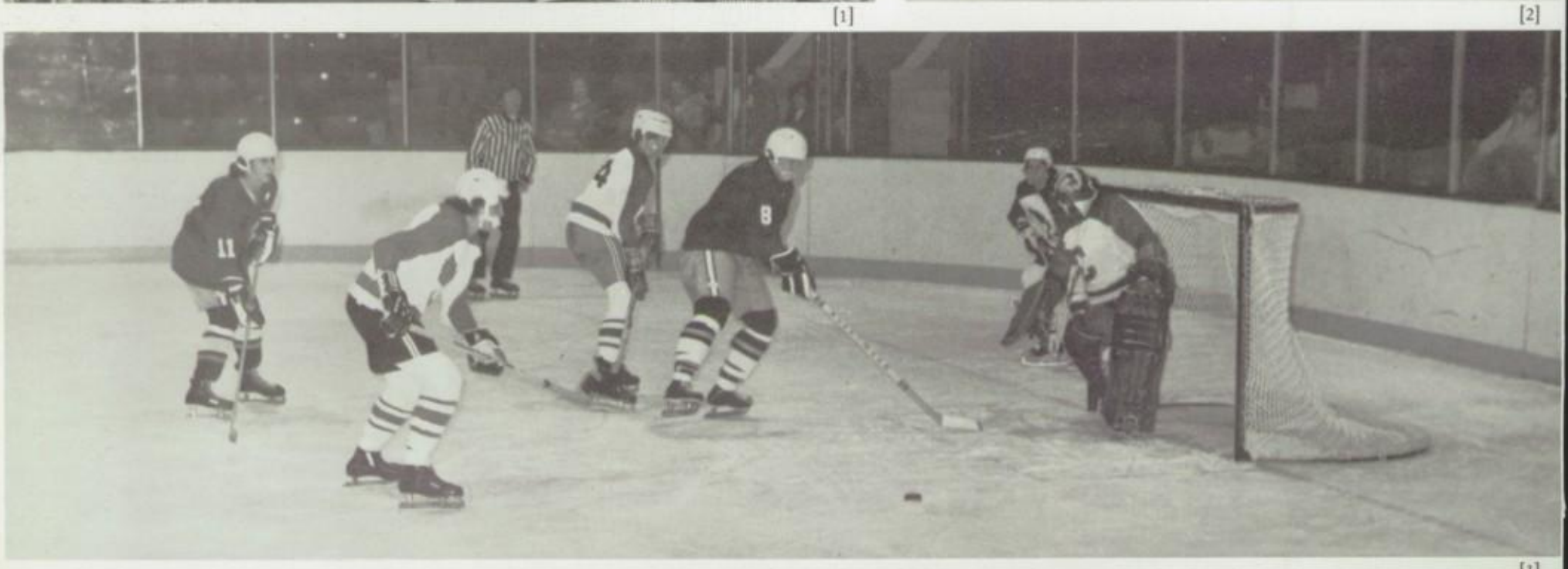

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Page 114, Picture 1: The Coaches and Staff of the 1976 Central High Hockey Team: Steve Kirpatrick, Coach Gilbert Hasso, and Randy May. The best coaching staff in the area. 2: Bill Dahl sets to fire a slap shot at the Comstock Goal. 3: Rick Atkins and Woody Woodworth close in on goal for a score. 4: Rick Atkins passing off to his forward for a shot on goal. 5: Gregg Rackolvits passes on over the blue line. Page 115, Picture 1: Dewitt Godfrey and Mike Dickey mix it up in the Comstock zone. 2: Don Prior and Woody Woodworth show off their uniforms for the photographer. 3: Mike Dickey and Dewitt Godfrey play defense and stop an offensive thrust by a Comstock forward. 4: Don Prior gets hemmed in and takes a tumble.

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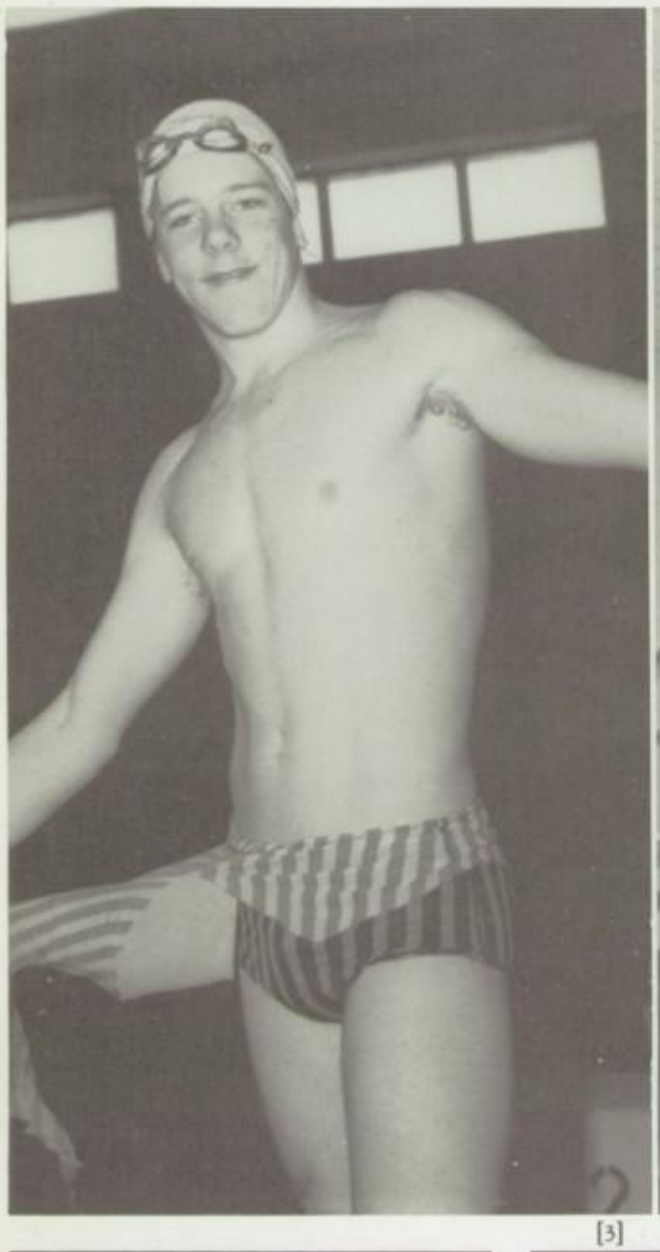

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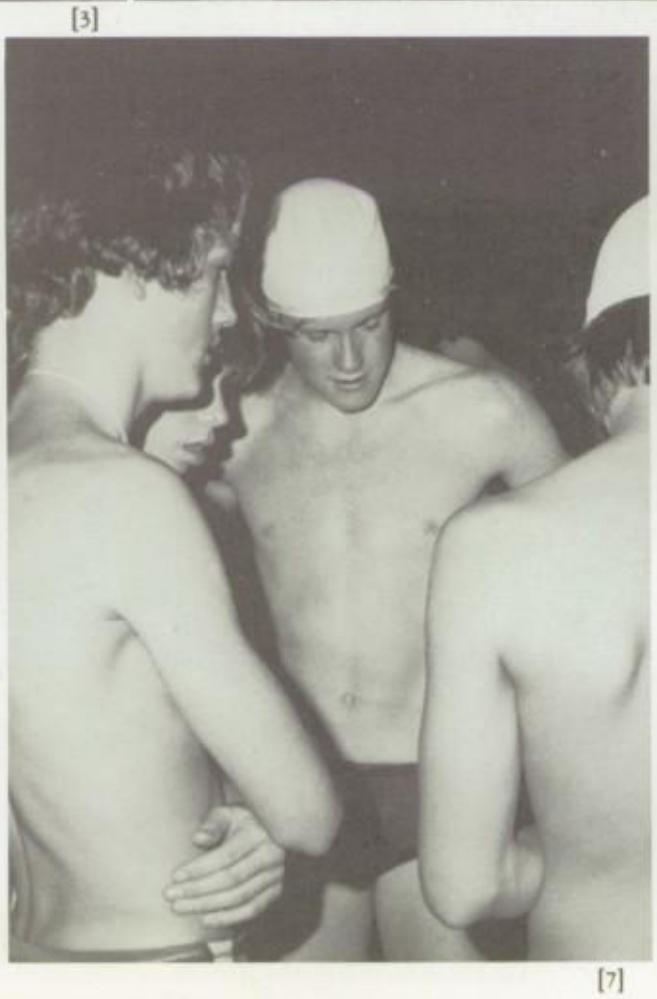

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1: Chris Roberts. 2: Coach Moore watches. 3: Don Knoechel. 4: Corey Davis. 5: Rob Baxter. 6: Gary Rohs, Joe Caton. 7: Steve Hawthorne. 8: Mike Burns, Jamie Junker.

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Picture 1: Central High Swim Team: 1976: Front Row: Louis Junker, Steve Hilko, Gary Rohs, Joe Caton, Tom Dean, Mike Burns. 2nd Row: Cal Shafer, Kieth Hoff, Rob Baxter, Chris Roberts, Mark Waterhouse, Joe Archibault, Phil Ransom, Larry White, David Tyler. 3rd Row: Ted Vermuelen, Corey Davis, Cliff Wilson, Rob Wellington, Dave Duke, Don Knoechel, Bob Hahn, Rich Stewart, Jamie Junker, Steve Hawthorne, Chris Vermuelen. 2: Chris Roberts and Rich Stewart talk over strategy. 3: Phil Ransom coming home in the Butterfly. 4: The Manager: Patricia Dean. 5: Ted Vermuelen. 6: Bob Hahn leaves the blocks in the Free Style Relay.

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Don Knoechel's Year

Without a doubt, Don Knoechel is the finest swimmer ever to swim for Coach John Moore's Central Giants. Don holds more Central High records than any other swimmer in the history of the school: His 2:02.9 in the 200 Yard Individual Medley; his 5:01.1 in the 550 Yard Free Style; his :55.6 in the 100 Yard Butterfly; his 59.9 in the 100 Back Stroke; his 23.4 in the 50 Yard Free Style; his 1:50.9 in the 200 Yard Free Style and his 49.9 in the 100 Yard Free Style are among the finest in the State of Michigan and the nation. The school records which he holds will not fall for many years. As a senior he will be missed, but as a college swimmer, his future is bright indeed. Congratulations — Don.

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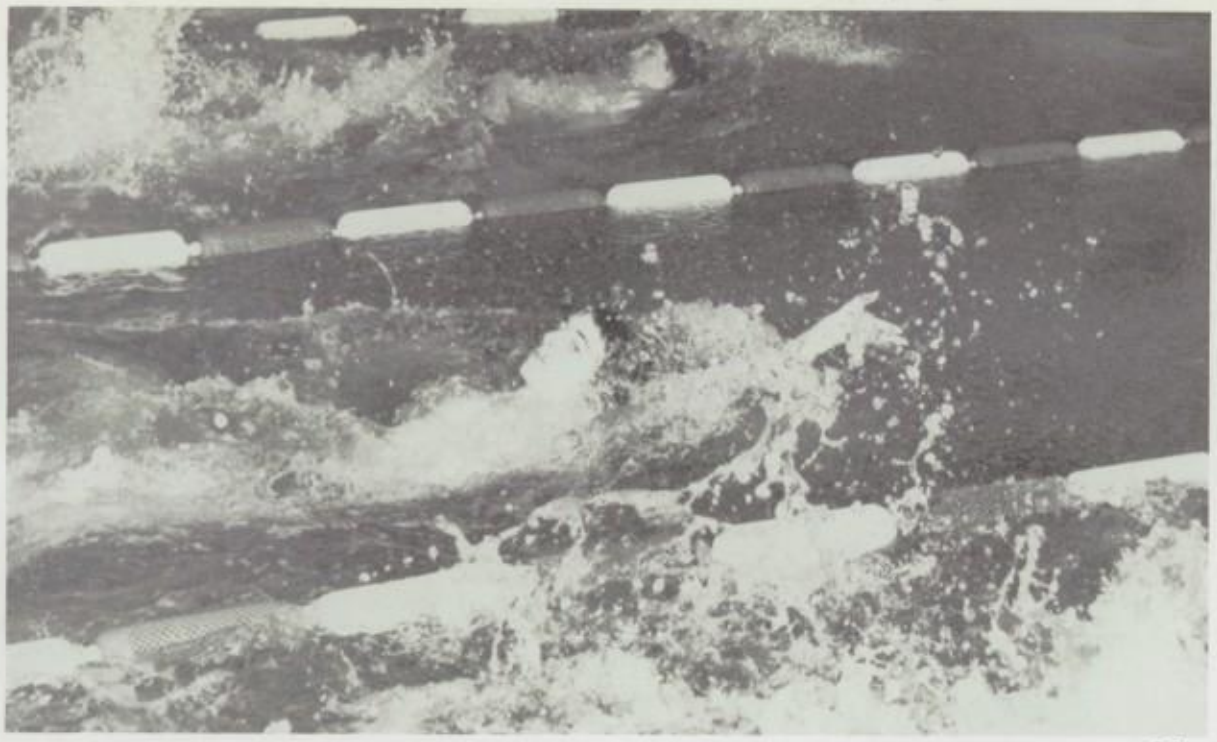
Page 118, Picture 1: Don Knoechel leads them off the blocks. 2: Jamie Junker. 3: Tom Higgins springs from the block in the Breast Stroke. 4: Mark Waterhouse. 5: Phil Ransom. 6: Richard Stewart in the 50 yard free springs from the blocks. Page 119, Picture 1: Chris Bischoff in the back stroke. 2: Rob Baxter. 3: Joe Caton. 4: The Divers: Coach Rathbun, Corey Davis, Cliff Wilson, Rob Wellington, Rob Baxter. 5: Rob Wellington. 6: Kellee Walton, John Bennett, Rich Stewart.



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Wrestlers Arrive

This is the year of the Grapplers at Kalamazoo Central High. At the time of Delphian Publication the team has an outstanding record of 12 and 6 and has a strong chance to qualify several young men in the Regional and State Tournaments. The team also has an excellent chance of becoming the Greater Kalamazoo Champions for the 3rd time in four years.

Coach Callahan and Wroblewski have an outstanding group of Sophomores and look for big things to come in the next three years.

Outstanding Wrestlers on this year's Giant Team are Grady Mays, who has an individual record of 26-1, with 18 Pins, Steve Smith, 23-2 with 12 Falls, Ken Cross, 21-4 with 6 Pins, and Ted Harley, 20-9, with 9 Falls.

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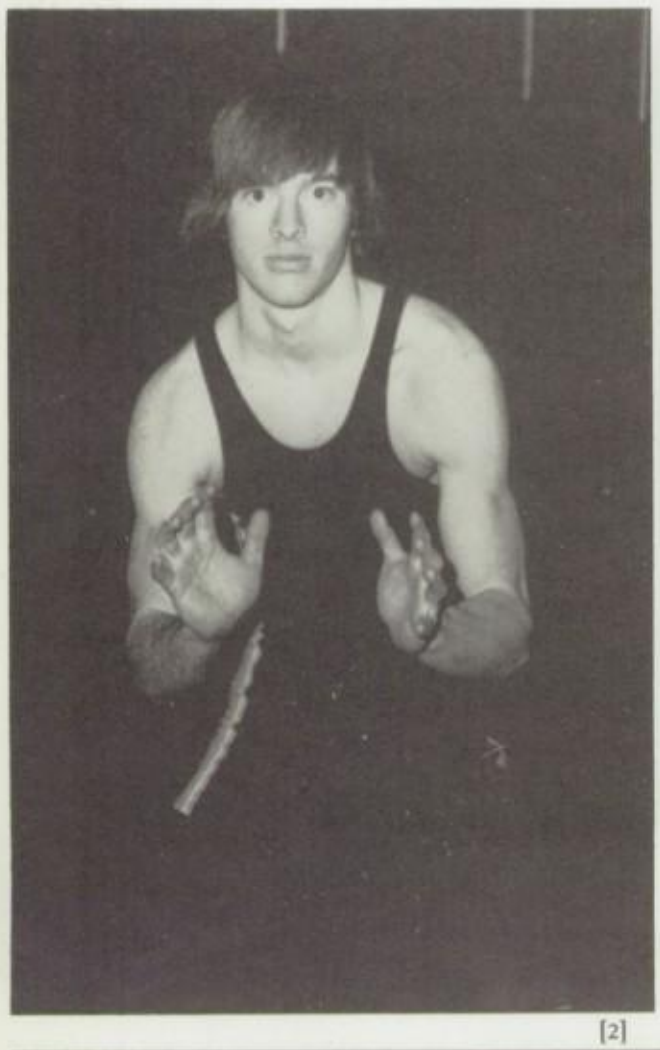

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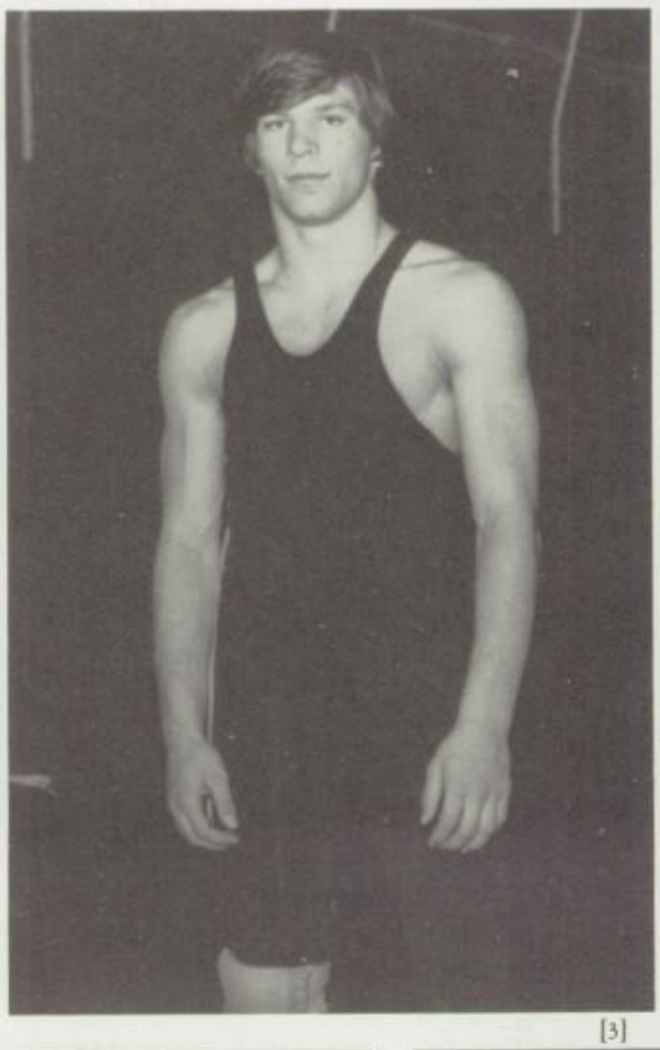

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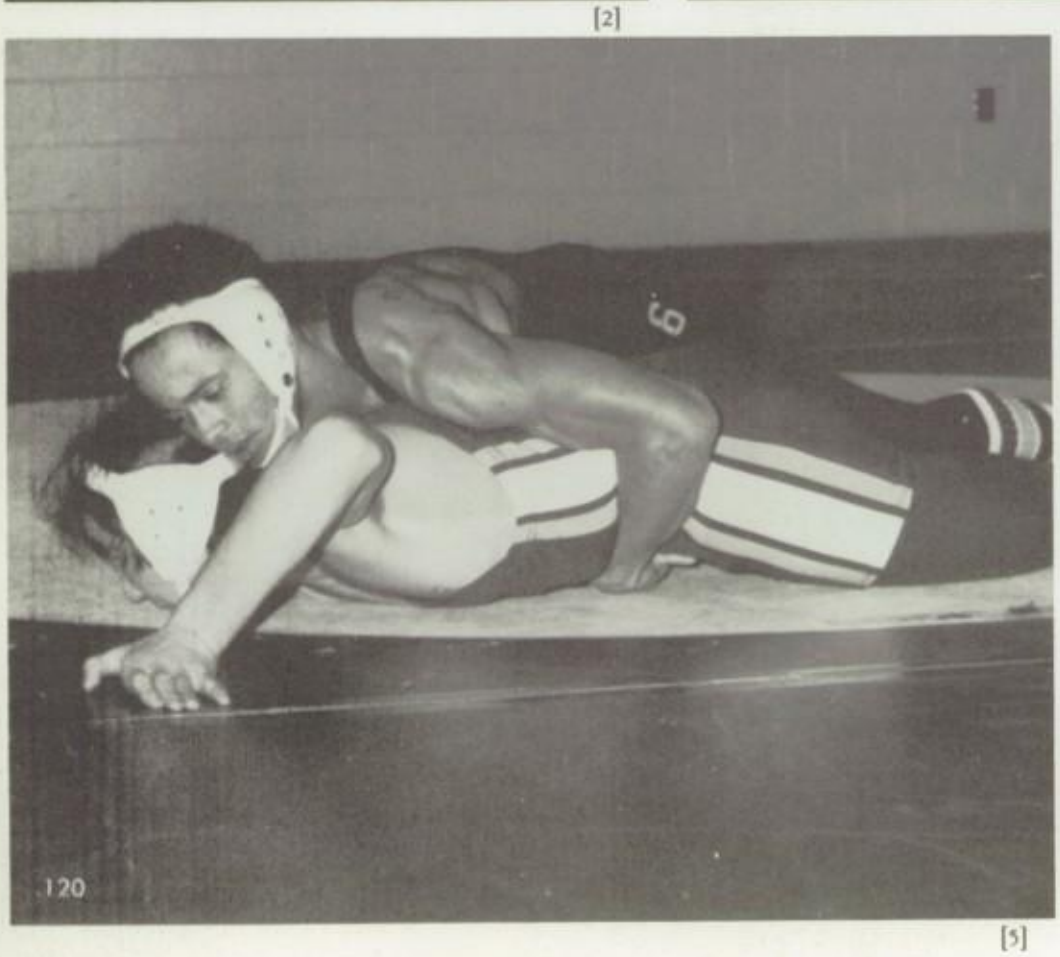

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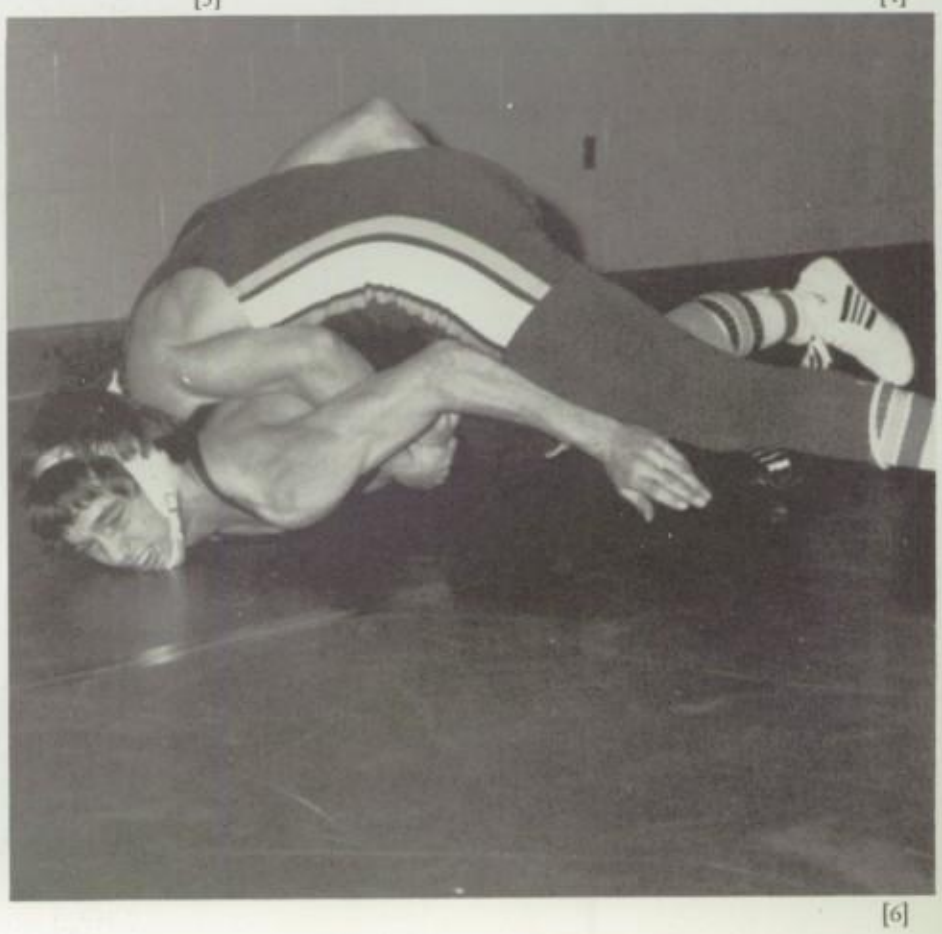

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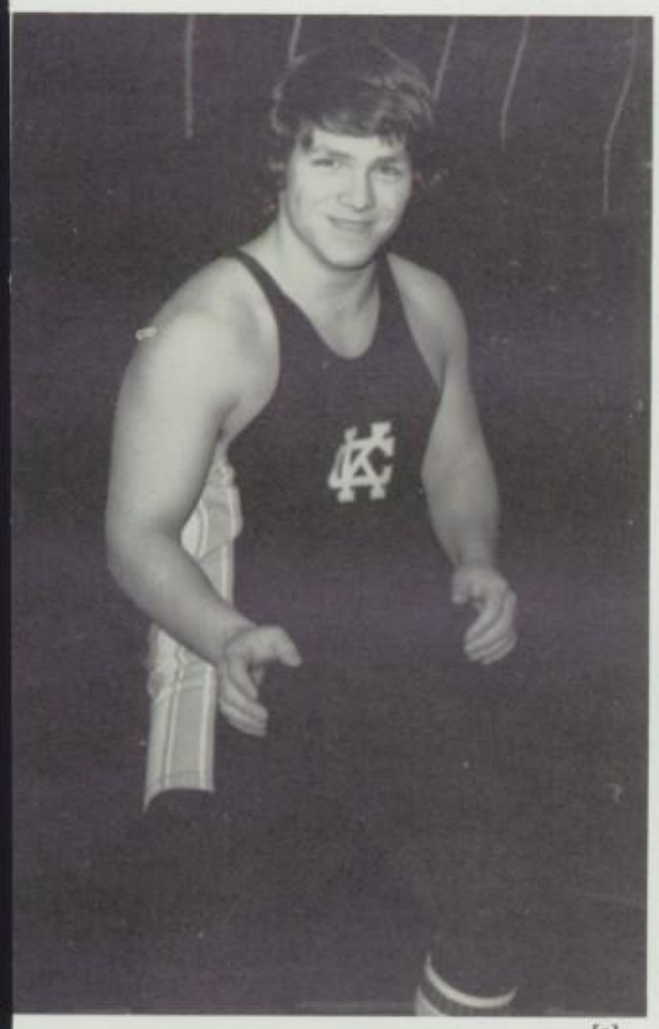

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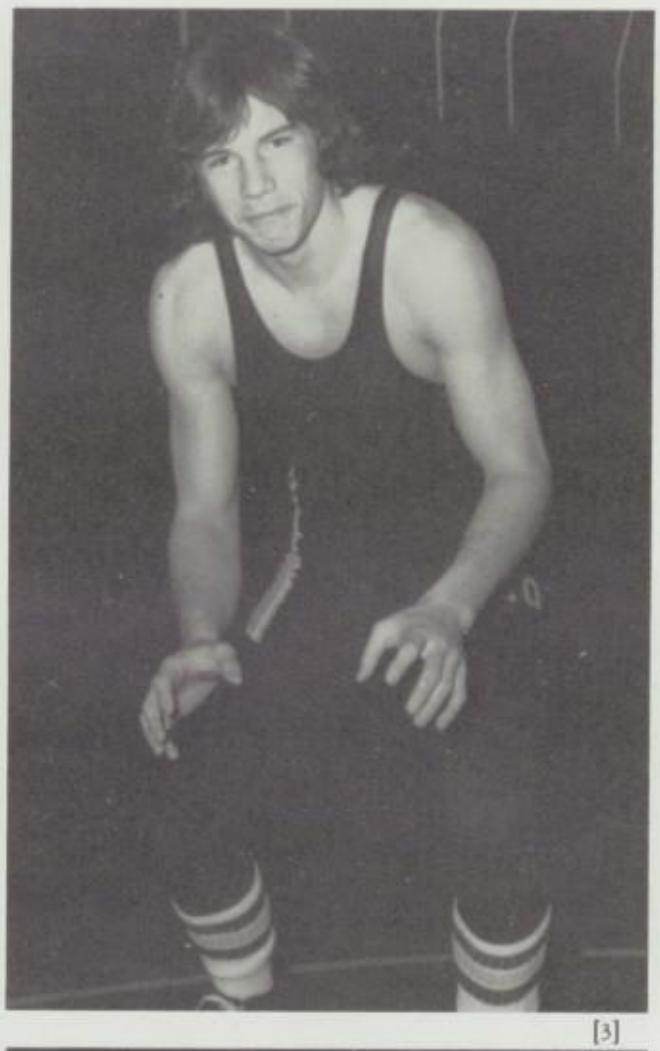

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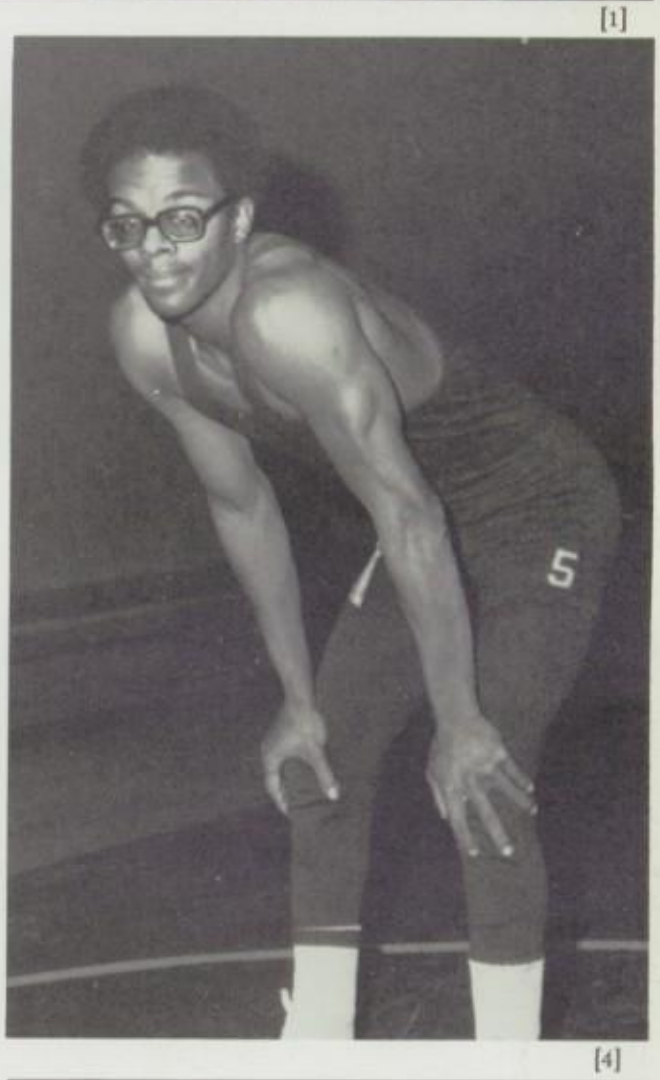

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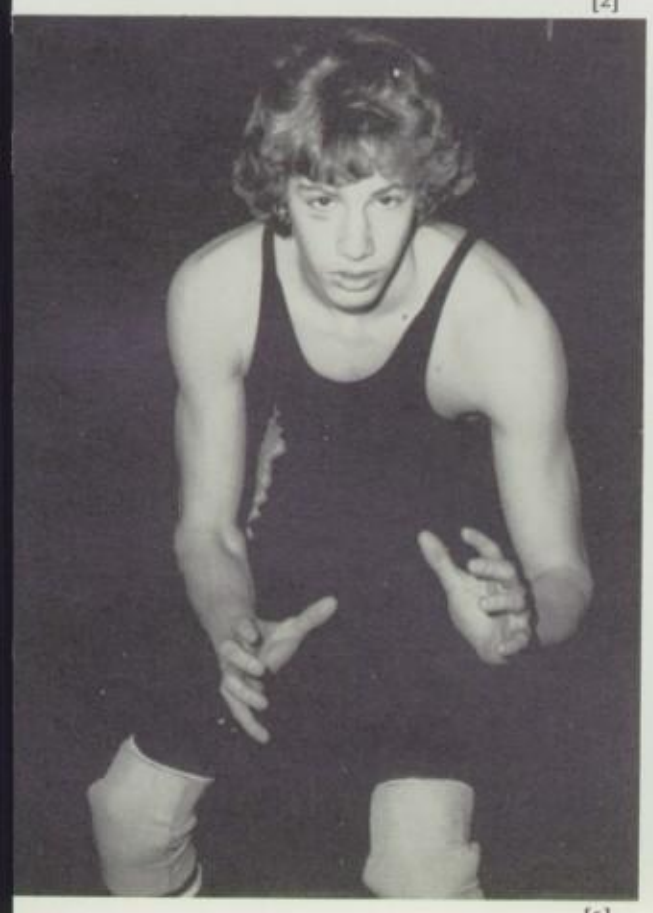

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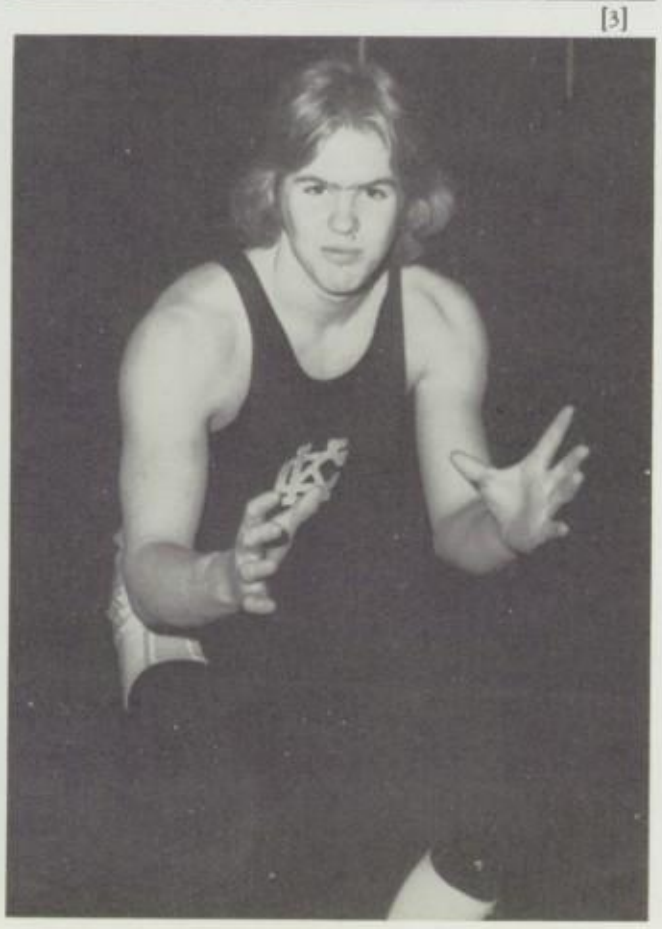

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Page 120, Picture 1: Bert Phillips. 2: Jim Mohney. 3: Steve Smith. 4: Gregg Jones. 5: Ken Gross. 6: Tom Smith.

Page 121, The Wrestling Team: Row 1, Left to Right: Dave Smith, Mike Stroud, Gregg Jones, Rod White, Roy Norcross, Tom Mohney. Row 2, Left to Right: Wayne Jackson, Mgr. — Ted Harley, Capt. — Gary Jones, Tom Mohney, Phil Husband, Tom Smith, Don Taylor, Chris Davis, Bert Phillips, Dave Clark, Steve Smith, Capt. Row 3, Left to Right: Coach Wroblewski, Jake Harley — Mgr., Chuck Kaarlie, Mike Klepper, Billy King, Marv Gilleylan, Craig Martin, Burke Snyder, Tim Kopenen, Rick Stroud, Emmette Cole, Vern Gregrich, Eric Finchem, Ralph Lahr, Mike Hanson, Coach Callahan. Missing: Grady Mays, Kurt Holton, Dave Blum.

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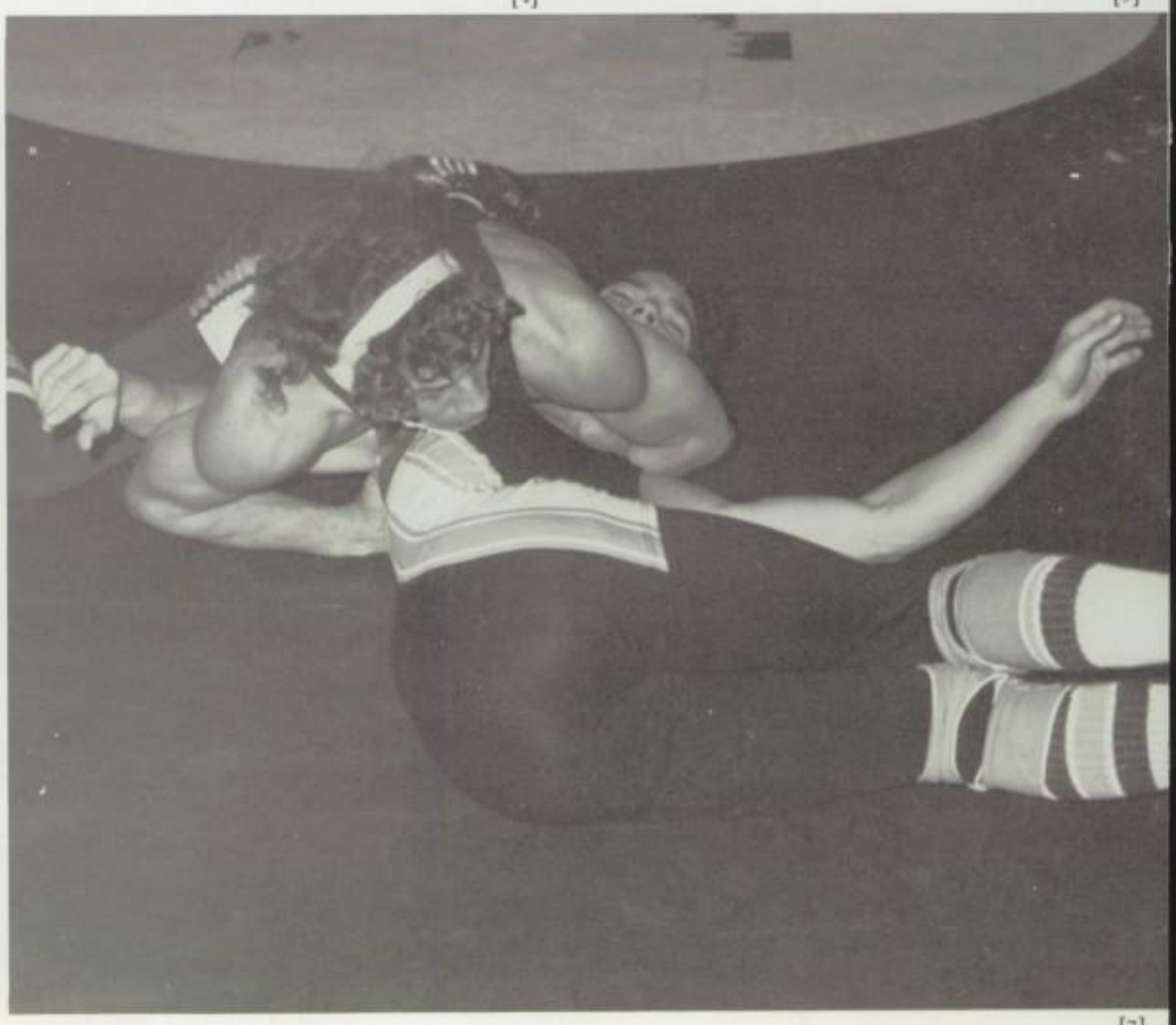

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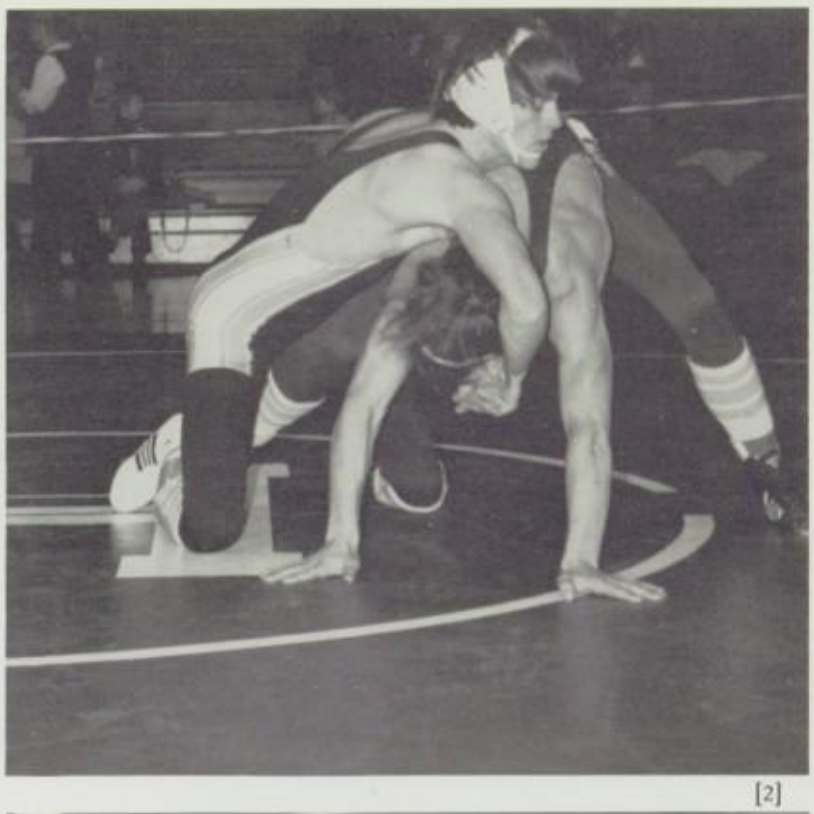

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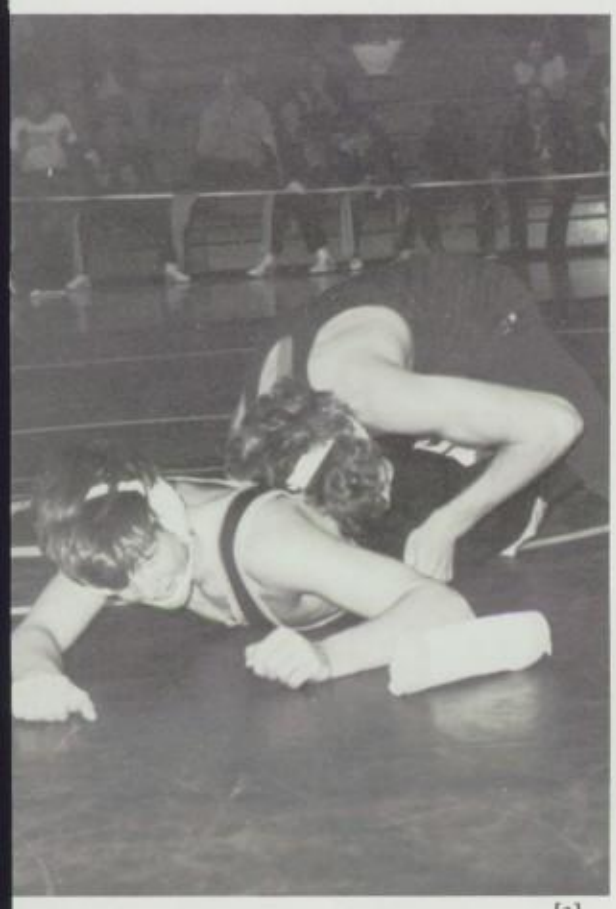

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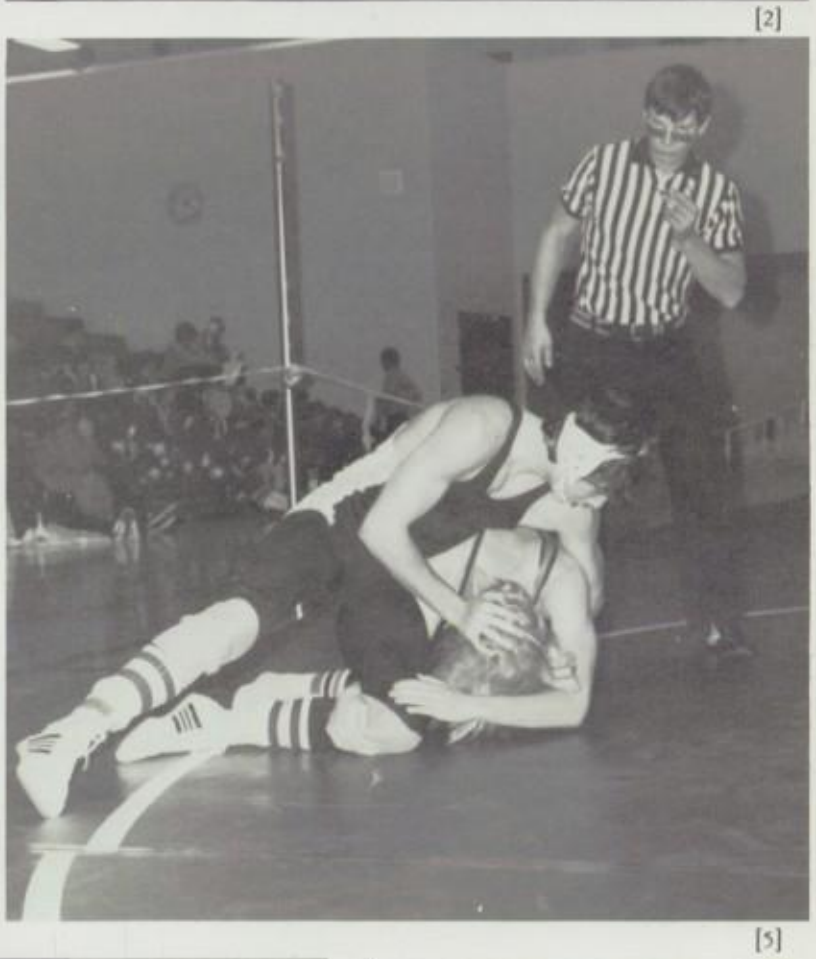

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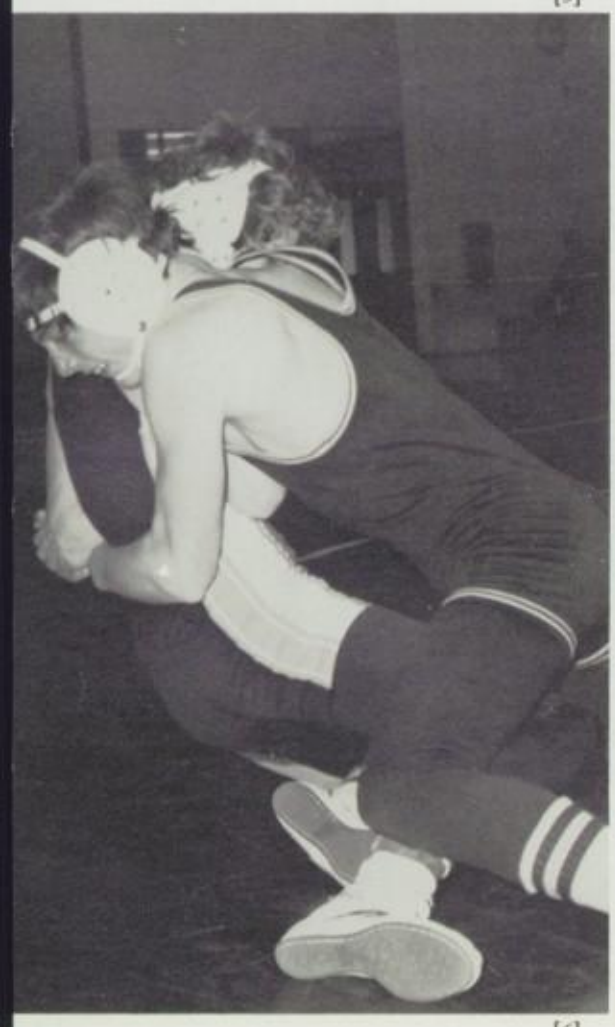

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Winter Cheer

The 1976 Winter Cheerleaders supported their Maroon Giants all the way this cold winter season. Under the leadership and direction of their coaches, Miss Purifoy and Miss Jones, the eleven women and one man kept up a spirited pattern at all the games both home and away. Some of the young people even helped and attended the Wrestling and Swimming Meets to give support.

Throughout the winter the backbone of the spirit of the student body were these young men and women. Kathy DeGroat and Eddie Starks, as seniors, lead the way. They will be missed next year for each of them has been giving support and help to Central High Sports for the last three years.

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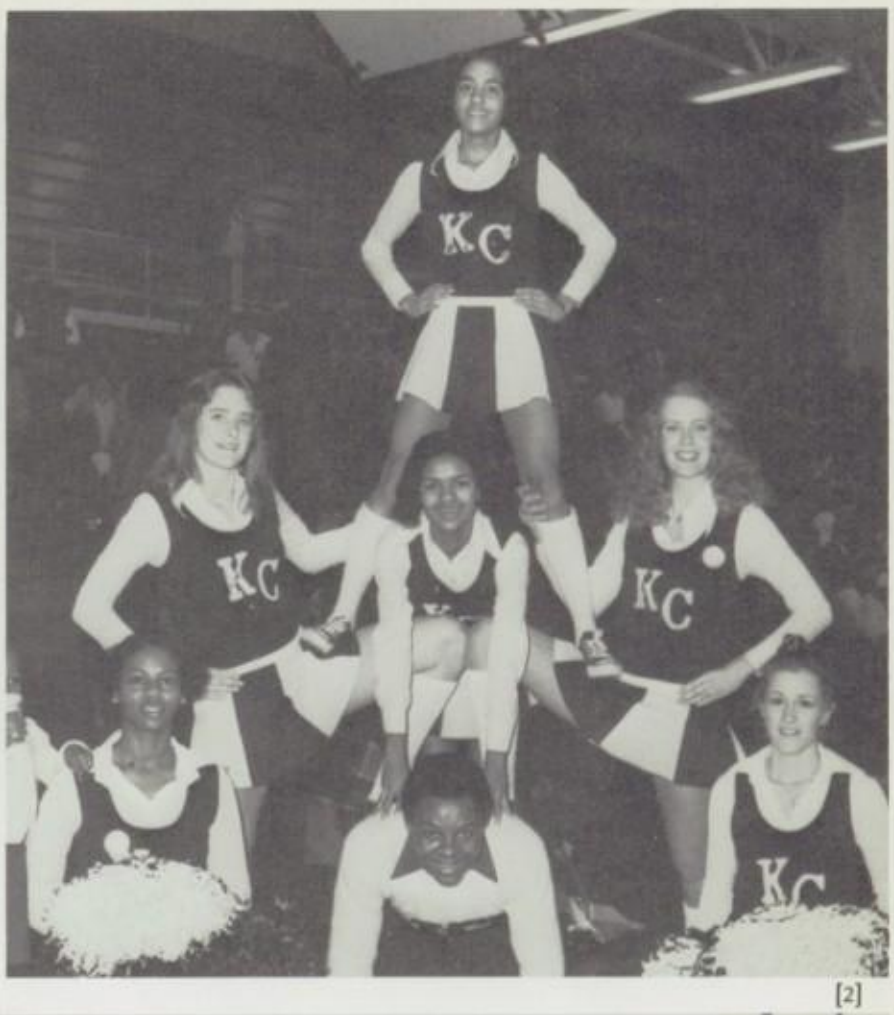

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Page 124: The Varsity Squad: Front Row: Kathy DeGroat, Kay Asher, Windy Dixon. Back Row: Kellee Walton, Royetta Fry, Eddie Starks, Marilyn Johnson. 2: Kellee Walton doing a jump. 3: Carrie Fitzgerald, Cristy Jones. 4: Cristy Jones. 5: Marilyn Johnson. 6: Eddie Starks. 7: Varsity in Action Cheer.

Page 125: Picture 1: Junior Varsity Squad: Front Row: Left to Right: Marcia Nieuwenhuis, Cristy Jones, Carrie Fitzgerald, Jill Asher. Back Row: Tina Moss, Wendy Maxwell, Debbie Lochart. 2: Varsity in Mount: Bottom: Royetta Fry, Eddie Starks, Kay Asher. Middle: Kellee Walton, Windy Dixon, Marilyn Johnson. On Top: Kathy DeGroat. 3: Varsity in a Mount. 4: Varsity Cheerleaders watch a game. 5: Junior Varsity in a Mount. 6: Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Debbie Lochart.

An Evening at the Kalamazoo Central Basketball Game

Women's Golf Champions

The Kalamazoo Central Women's Golf Team of Spring 1975 had a fantastic record. They have won six matches, and they are yet to suffer a defeat. They competed in the Loy Norrix Invitational Tournament, bringing back first place with them. They also played along with 12 other teams in the Class A Women's Regionals in Hastings and placed 6th.

We would like to make special mention of Kathy Logan, Sarah Rowley and Ann Rowley. They were awarded last year's most outstanding players with the lowest scores for their golf games. All the matches were played at the Elks Country Club Golf Course. The coach for this outstanding team was Ms. Margaret Brabb. Congratulations and thanks go to Ms. Brabb for her coaching during this successful season.

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Page 127, Picture 1: Karen Frost. 2: Susan Powell. 3: The 1975 Central High Women's Golf Team: Front Row: Kathy Logan, Jill Bishop, Sarah Rowley, Venessa Treloar, Susan Powell. Back Row: Karen Krost, Cindy White, Diane Parker, Ann Rowley, Sue Drenten. Not Pictured: Darby Davis, Sherri Williams. 4: Sarah Rowley. 5: Cindy White. 6: Sue Drenten. 7: Ann Rowley.

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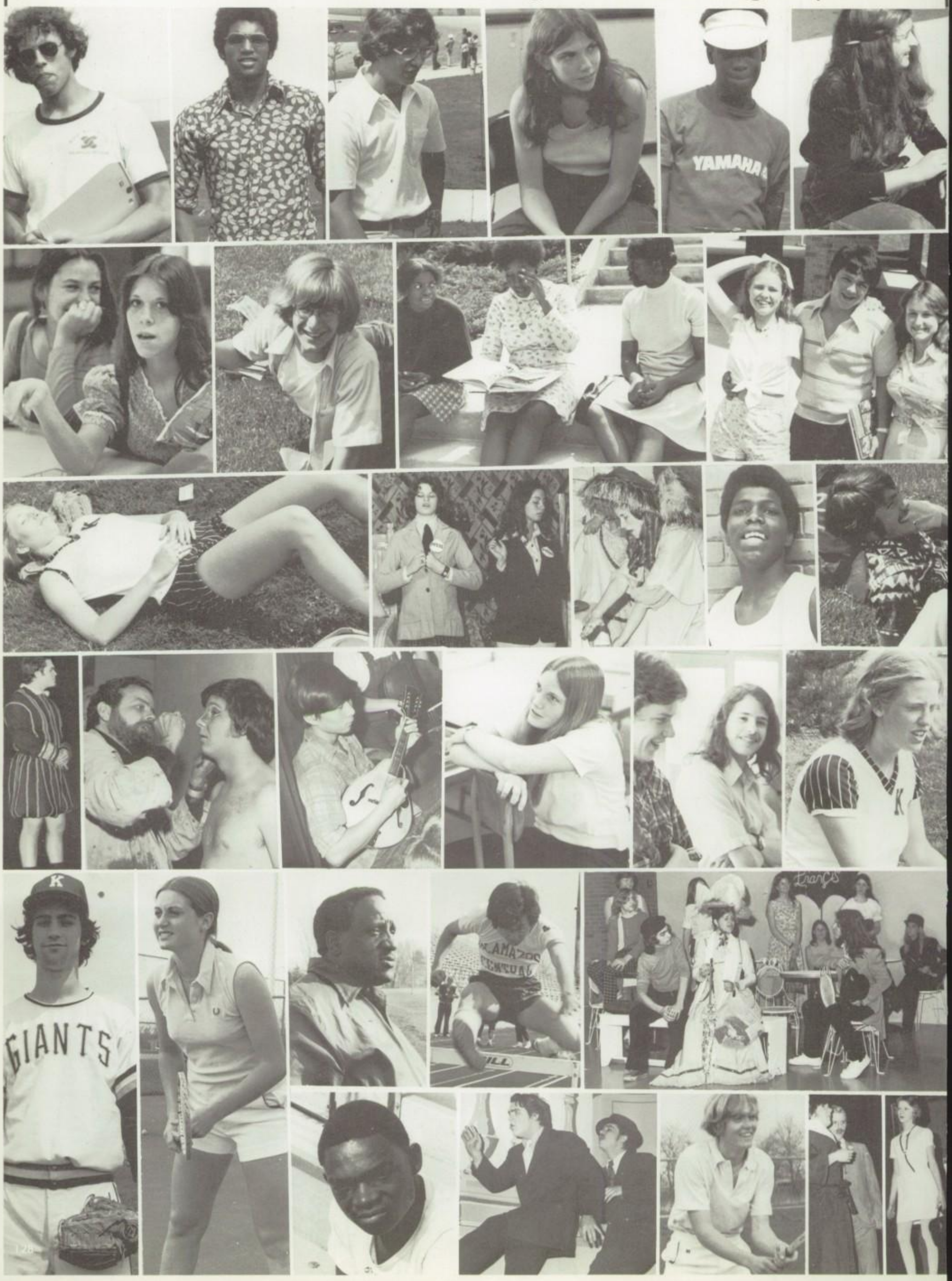

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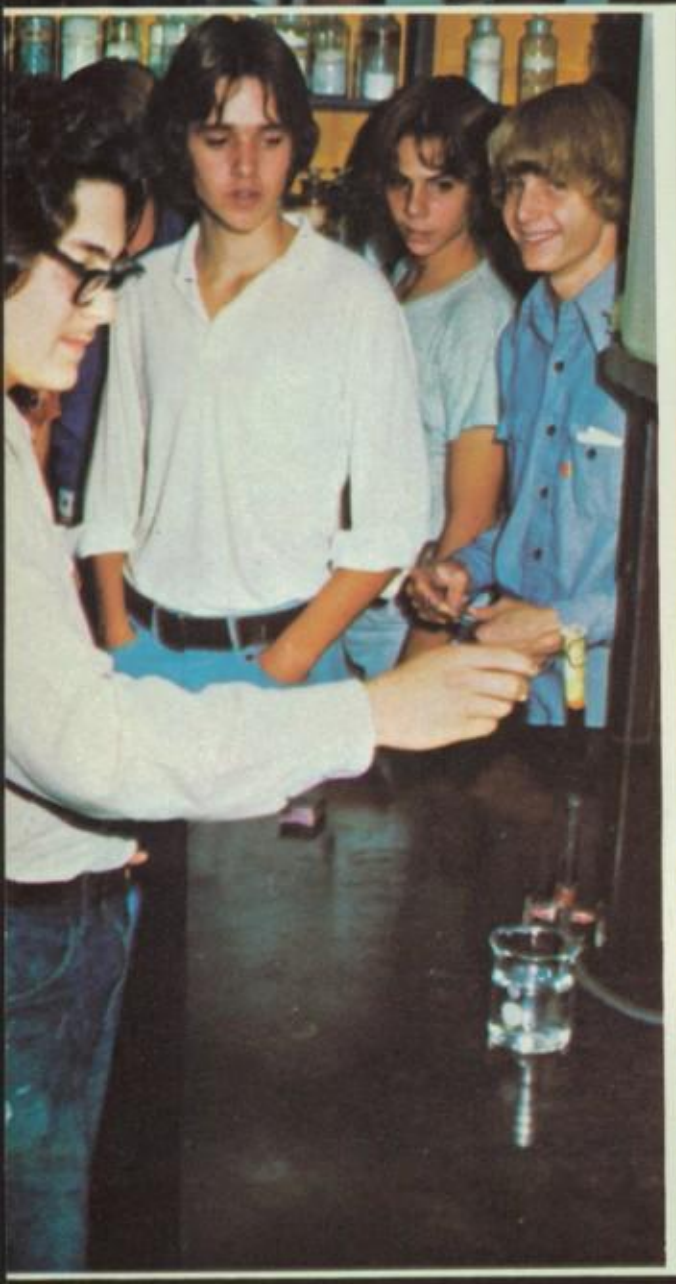

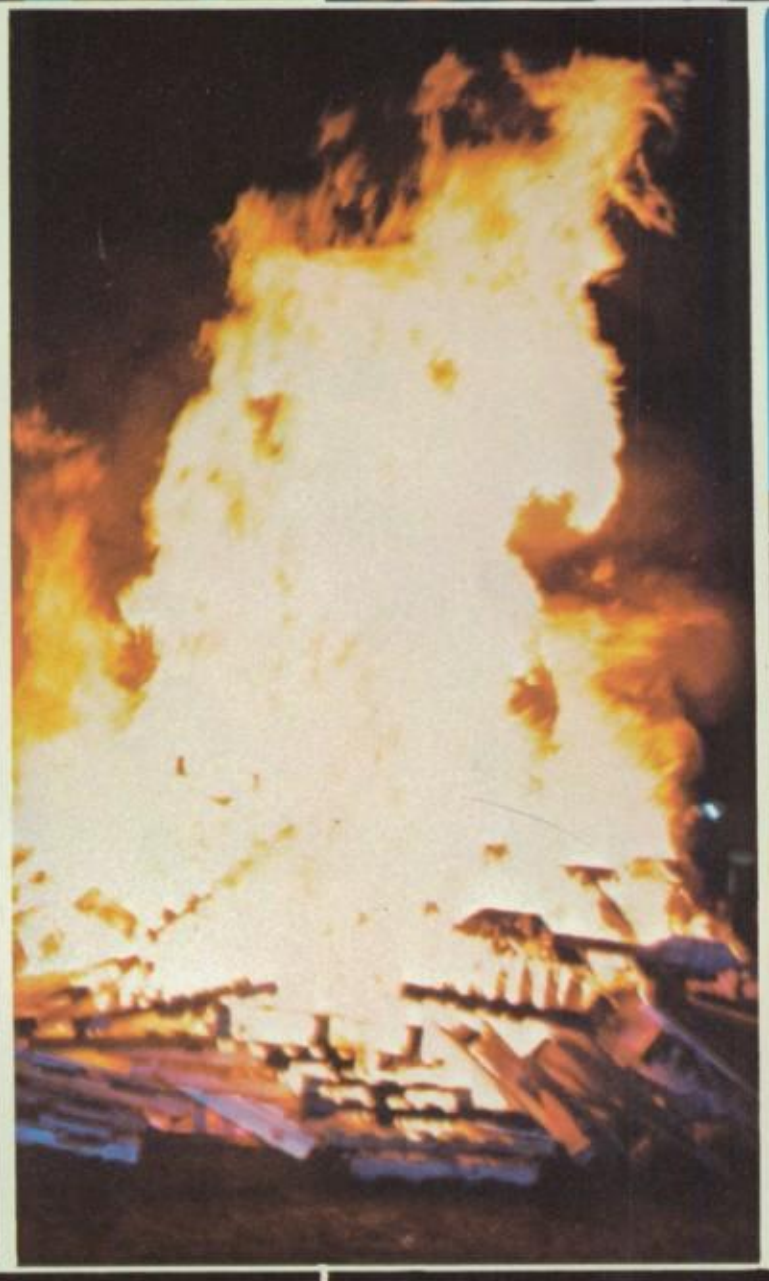

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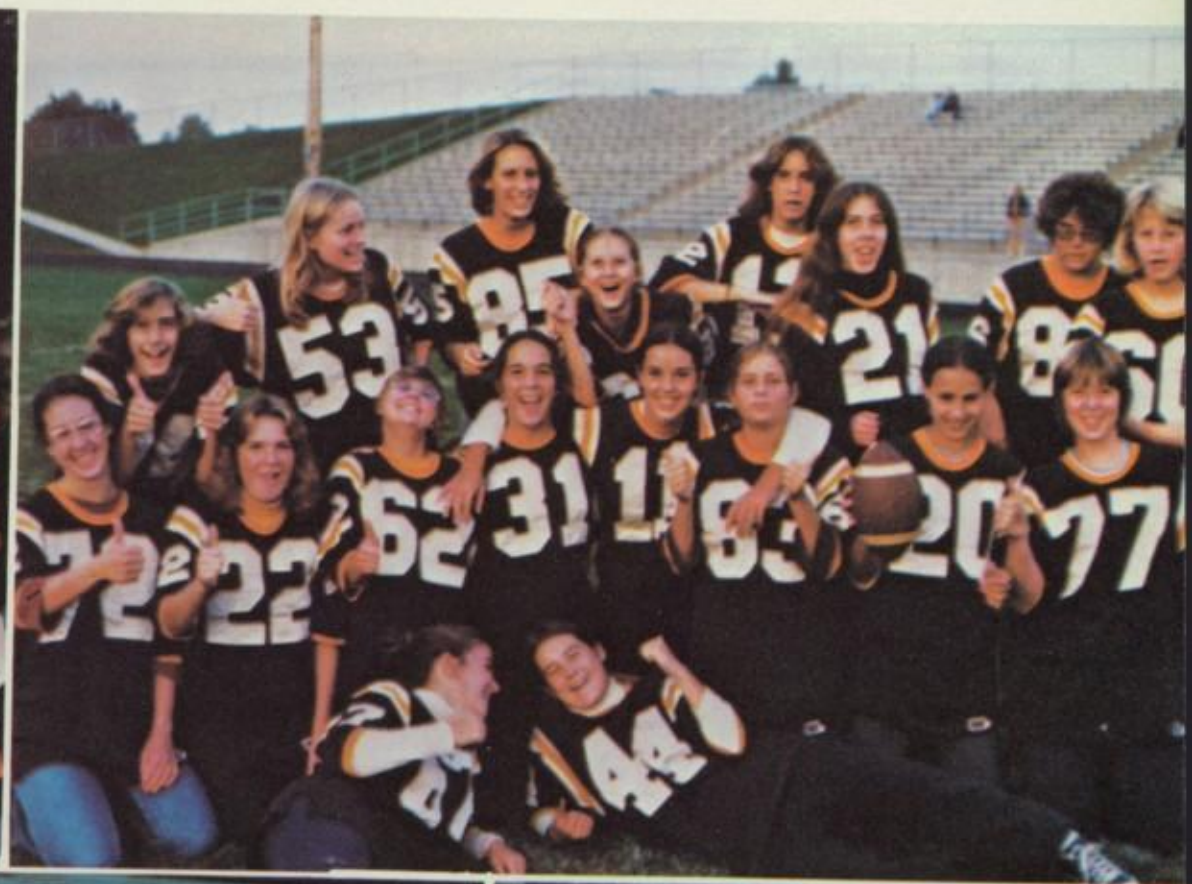

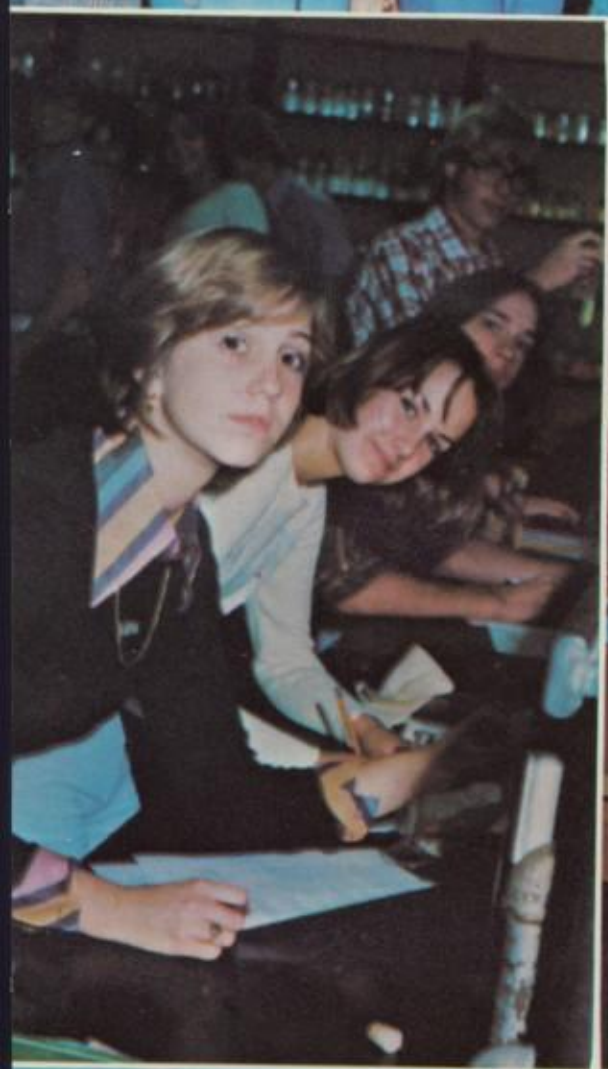

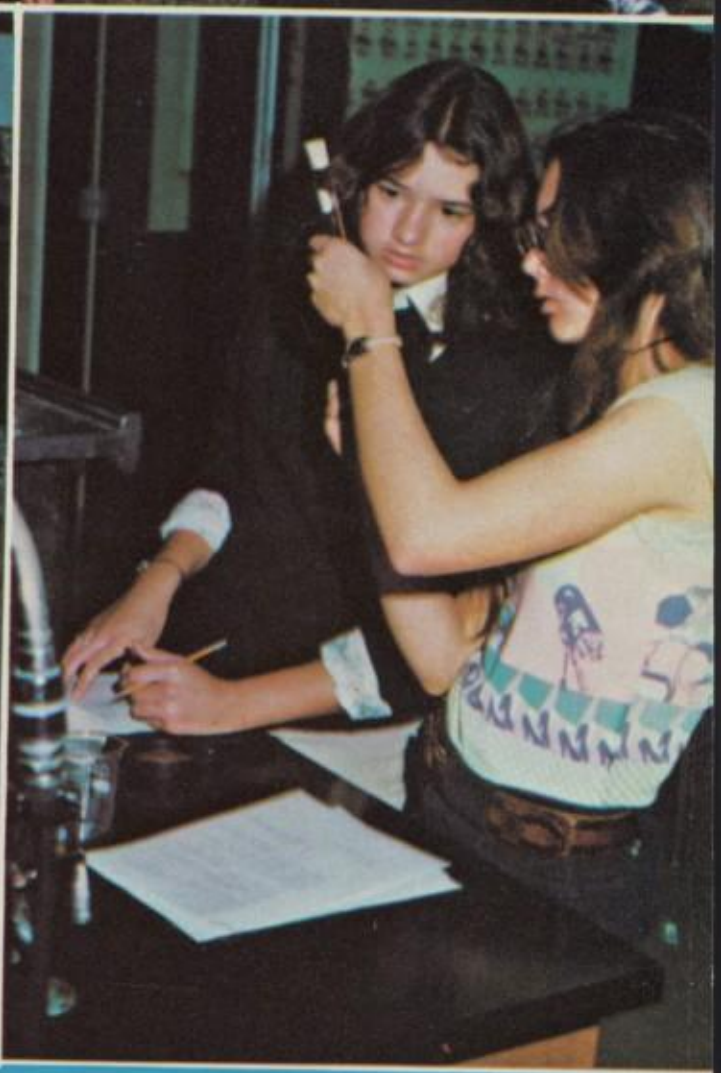

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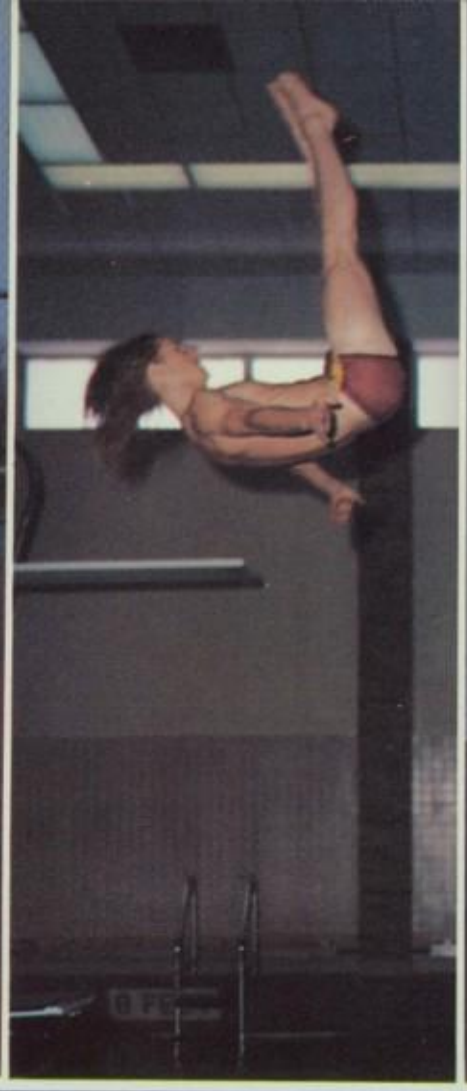

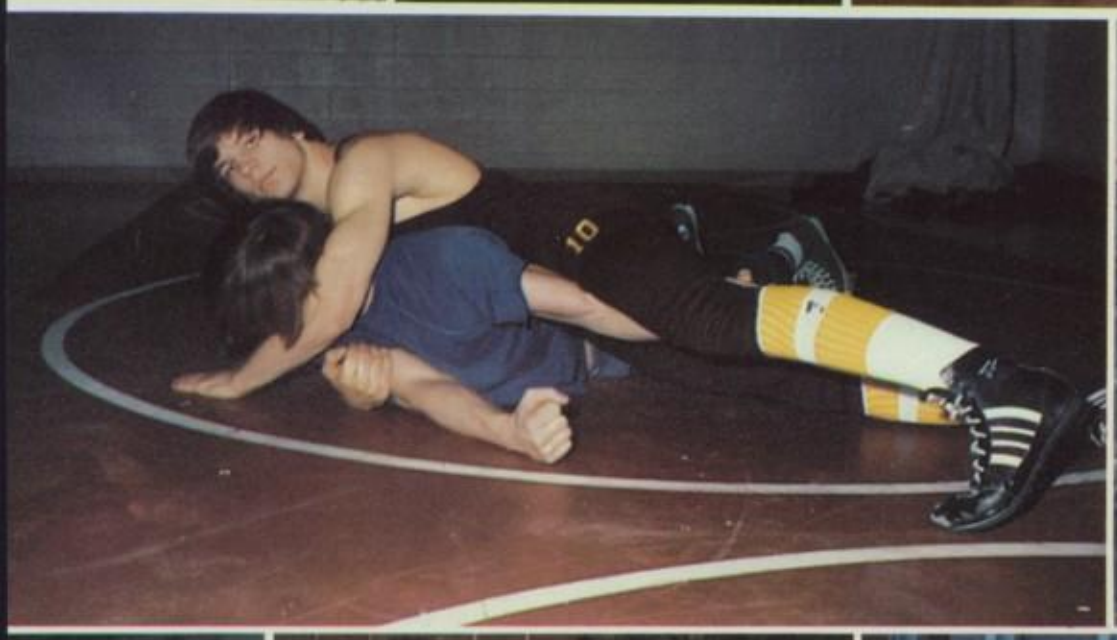

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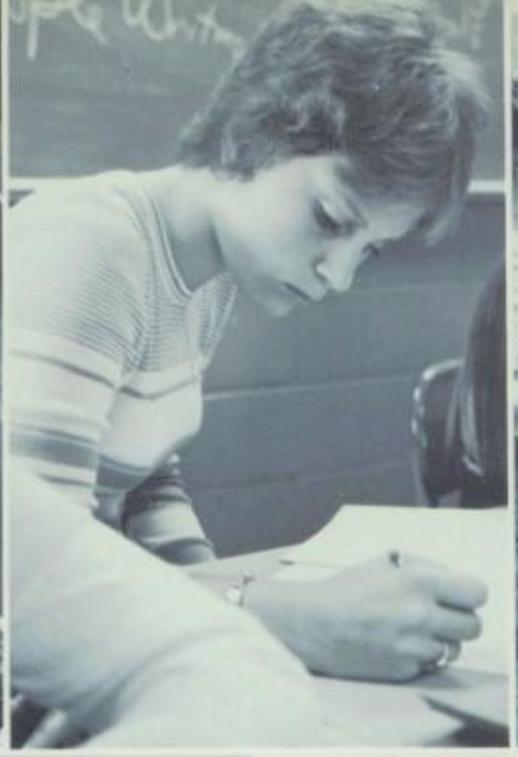

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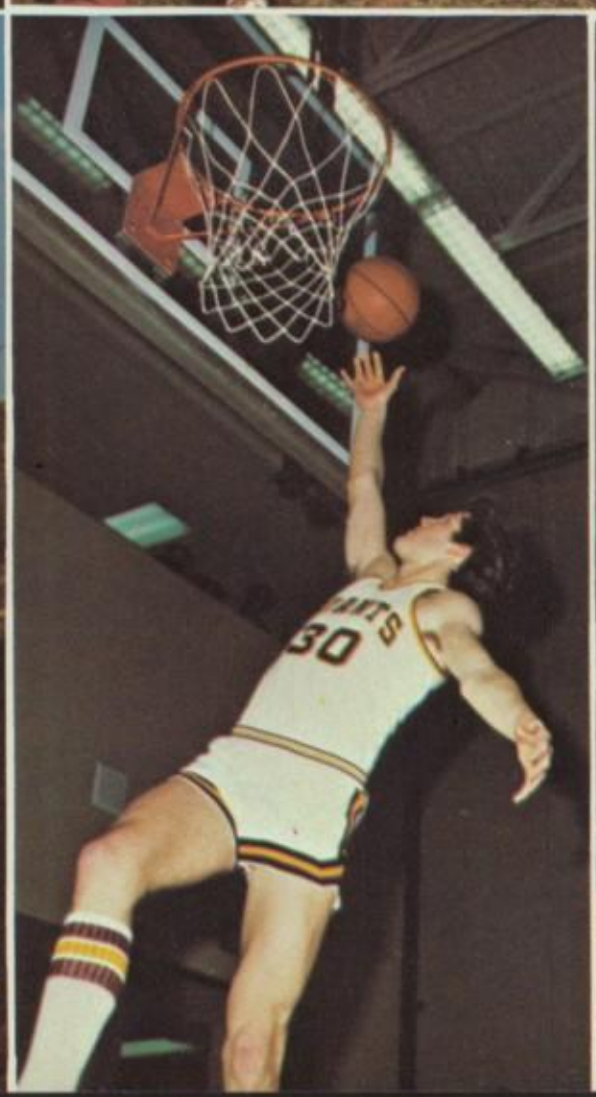

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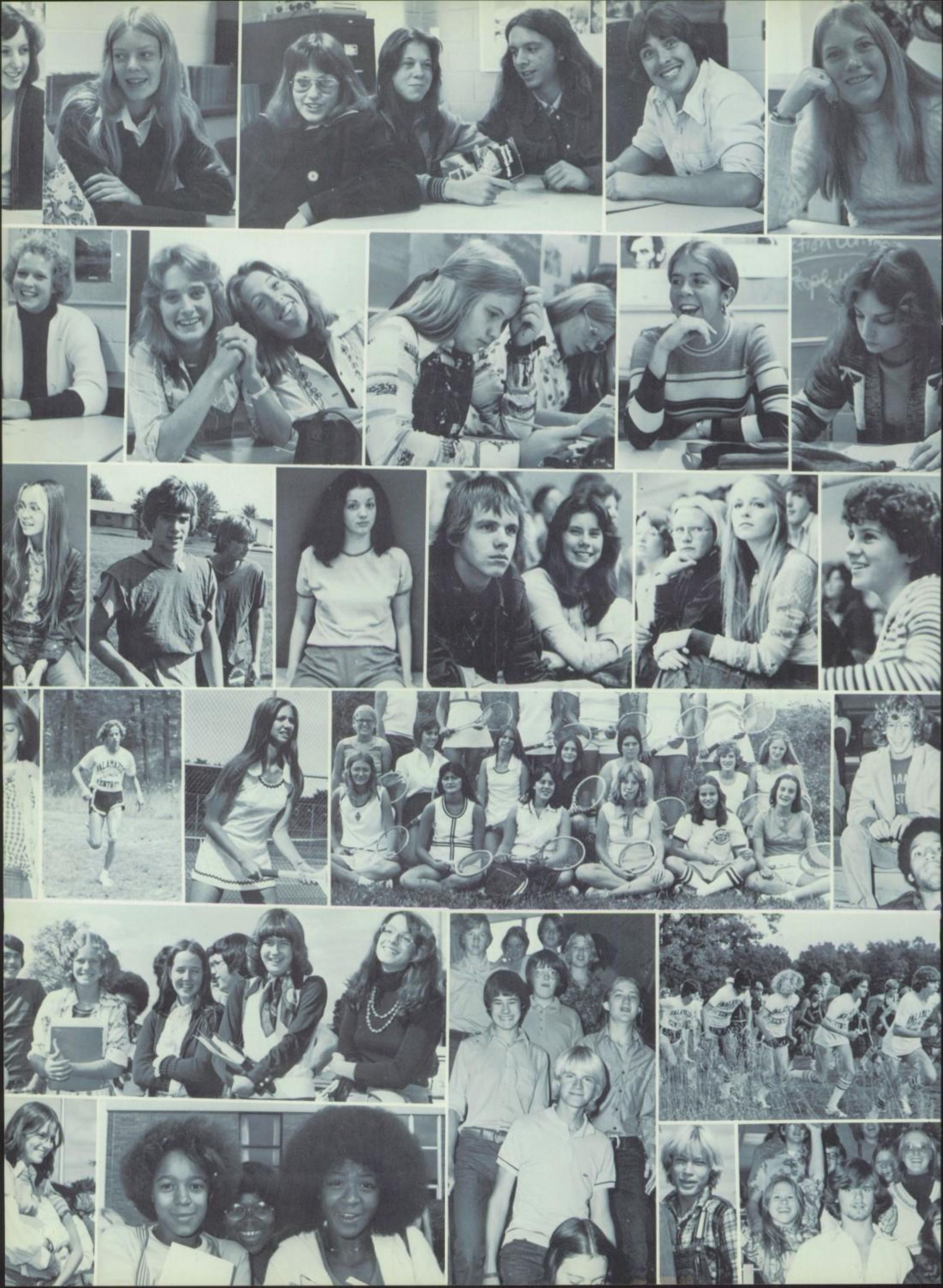

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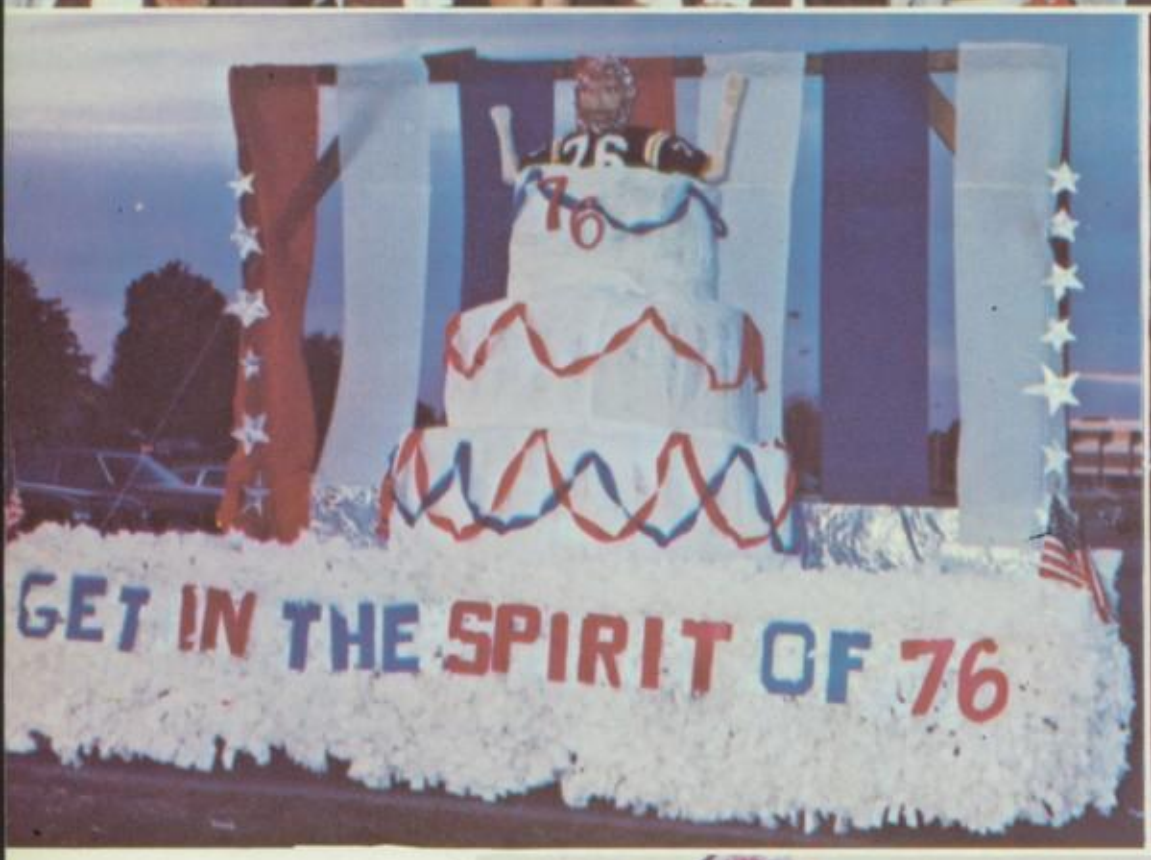
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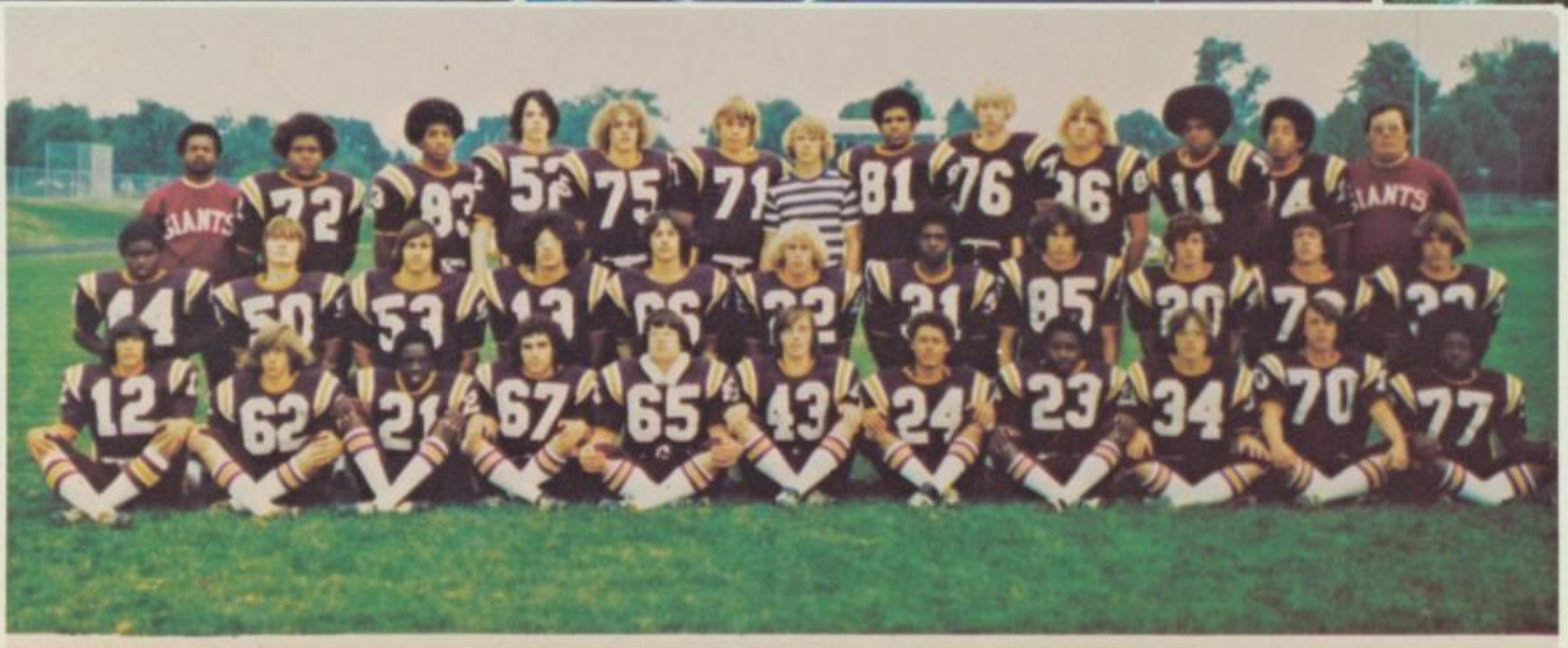


BUMP! SET! SPIKE!

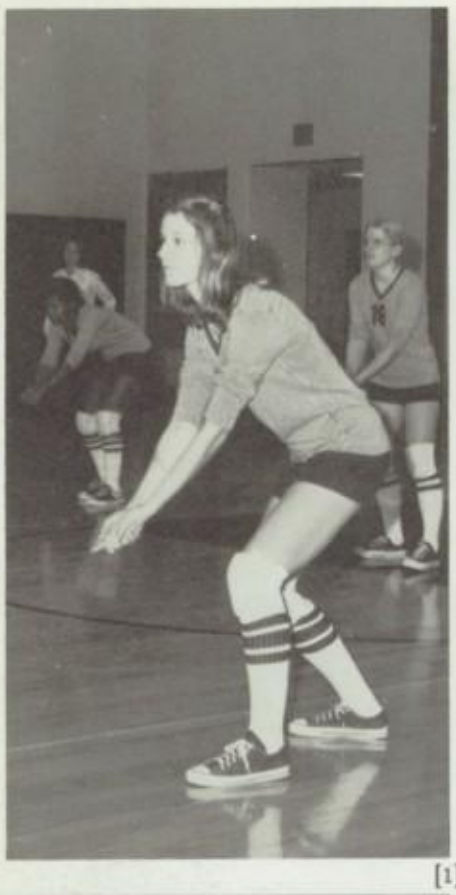
This year Womens Volleyball got off to a good start, under the supervision of Coach Roberta MacCallum and assistants Ardis Lielzuika and Gundars Elksnis.

The team, consisting of a present nine J.V. players and eight Varsity, has really been on the go after winning their first match against Loy Norrix.

The girls still need some practice with their technique but for a second year team things are really looking good. Coach "Mac" has high hopes for next year's returning Sophomores and Juniors.

This year's captain were: J.V. Captain Kathy Klepper and Co-Captain Janet Cherpes. Varsity Captain Lynnetta McDermott, Co-Captains Cheryl Knapp and Teri Sue Husband.

Names: Page 145, Row 1: Margie Brown, Kery McIntyre, Teri Sue Husband, Kim Jasiak, Leslie Mills. Row 2: Kaija Lielzuika, Delonda Gant, Janet Cherpes, Lynnetta McDermott, Liz Shon, Debbie Dunning. Row 3: Coach MacCallum, Mgr. Cathy Brown, Debbie Keene, Sharon Mundwiler, Liz Hummer, Sue Davis, Kathy Klepper, Kathy Logan, Cheryl Knapp, Joanne Roth, Mgr. Karen Vogelheim. Picture 2: Liz Hummer, Lynnetta McDermott. Picture 3: Coach MacCallum, Janet Cherpes, Kathy Klepper, Margie Brown, Delonda Gant. Picture 4: Sue Davis. Picture 5: Teri Sue Husband, Liz Shon, Lynnetta McDermott. Picture 6: Lynnetta McDermott.



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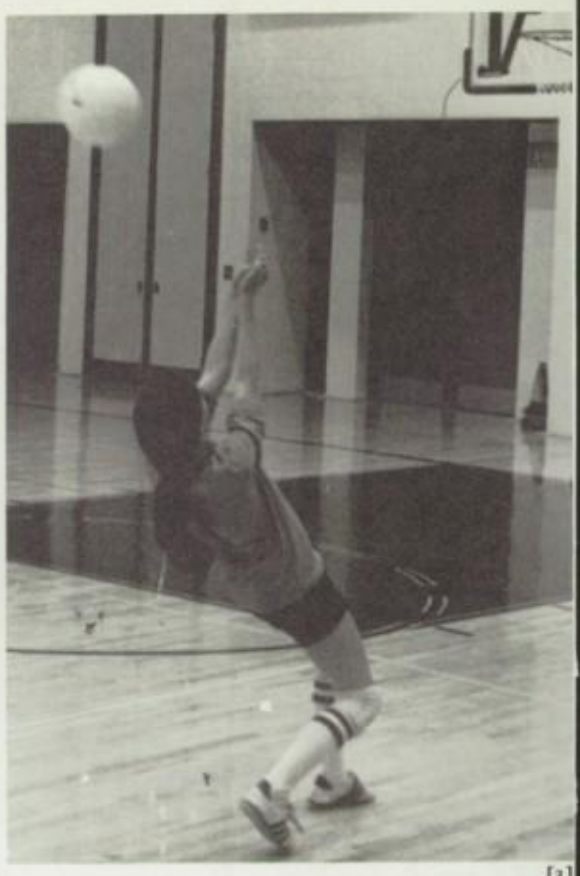

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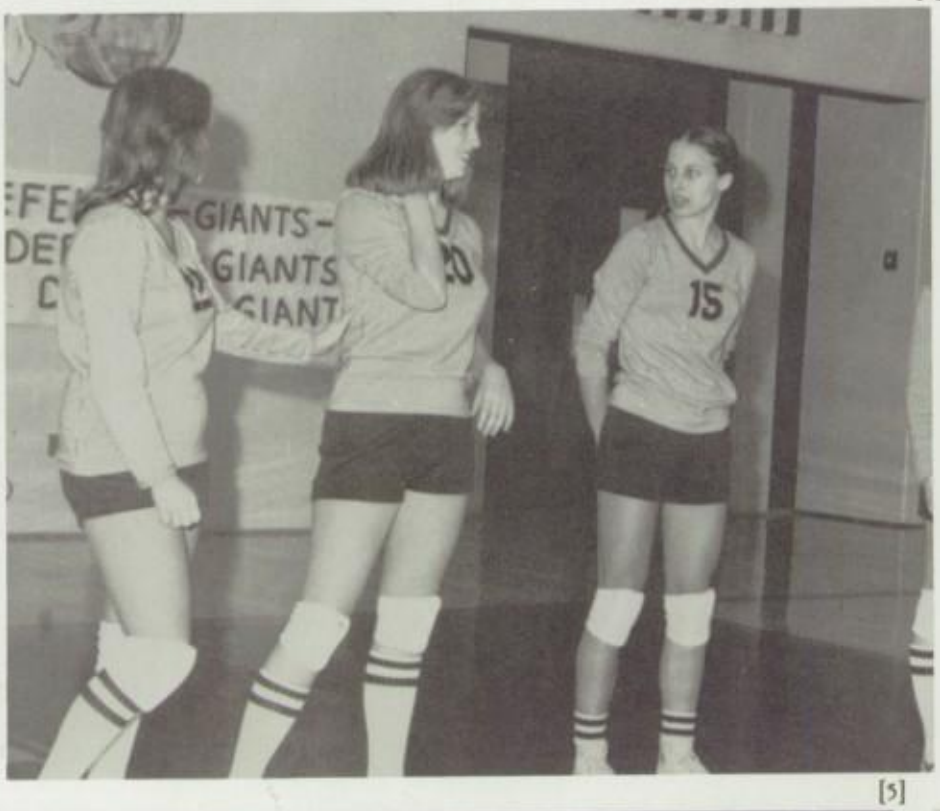

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Page 146: 1: Kathy Klepper, Delonda Gand, Sue Davis. 2: Asst. Coach Lielzuika, Coach MacCallum, Delonda Gand, Sue Davis. 3: Leslie Mills. 4: Teri Sue Husband. 5: Shelly Russell, Sharon Mundwiler, Liz Shon. 6: Kiaja Lielzuika. 7: J.V. Team: Row 1: Kathy Klepper, Sue Davis, Delonda Gant, Joanne Roth. Row 2: Janet Cherpes, Kerry McIntyre, Leslie Mills, Margie Brown, Kim Jasiak, Lori Brown. Row 3: Coach MacCallum, Mgr. Karen Vogelheim. 8: Joanne Roth. Page 147: 1: Sue Davis. 2: Varsity Team: Row 1: Debbie Keene, Liz Hummer, Teri Sue Husband, Debbie Dunning. Row 2: Coach MacCallum, Kaija Lielzuika, Sharon Mundwiler, Liz Shon, Lynnetta McDermott, Cheryl Knapp, Kathy Logan, Mgr. Cathy Brown. 3: Kaija Lielzuika, Shelly Russell. 4: Janet Cherpes. 5: Sharon Mundwiler, Kaija Lielzuika. 6: Lori Brown. 7: Coach MacCallum, Janet Cherpes, Kathy Klepper, Margie Brown, Delonda Gant.

Gymnastics Comes to Central High

For the first time in the history of Central High, Gymnastics, a new sport, comes to Central High School. Under the able and talented guidance of two fine Coaches from Western Michigan University, Dennis Spencer, and Jerry Tobias, Central will field a fine young women's team to compete with the schools in our area.

Since this is the very first season in competition, much must be learned and experienced. Hopefully, the team will improve fast, and in a season or two become competitive in a highly specialized, artistic and difficult sport.

Much luck to Coach Spencer and his young gymnasts in the very first season.

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Page 148, Picture 1: Cheryl Bach. 2: Hilary Stech. 3: Amy Jagodnik. 4: Diane Porath. 5: Linda Stech. Page 149, 1: The Gymnastics Team: Front Row, Left to Right: Cheryl Bach, Amy Jagodnik, Christy Jones, Mary Kerney. Back Row: Coach Dennis Spencer, Noreen Daly, Stacy Pape, Jill Dolan, Hilary Stech, Lisa Stech, Debbie Kittredge, Diane Porath, Coach Jerry Tobias. 2: Debbie Kittredge. 3: Amy Jagodnik, Hilary Stech. 5: Stacy Pape, Debbie Kittredge, Diane Porath.

The Class of 1977

David Abbey
Sherry Acker
Steve Ackerman
Debra Agnew
Jeff Alexander
Shannon Alrick

Carol Amundsen
Eric Anson
Lisa Applegren
Joseph Archambault
Jill Asher
Kay Asher

Bill Baden
Sara Bailey
Mike Baker
Tim Bannigan
Kathy Barlow
Rudeen Barlow

Arva Barnes
Michael Bouler
Pam Belanger
Jeff Bendfelt
Julie Bendix
Julie Bernhard

Tanya Betke
Sandra Bianco
Jill Bishop
Michelle Blakeslee
Linda Blount
David Blum

Amy Boekhout
Jennifer Bogart
Karen Bostic
Sharon Bouchard
Becky Bourner
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Julie Bradshaw
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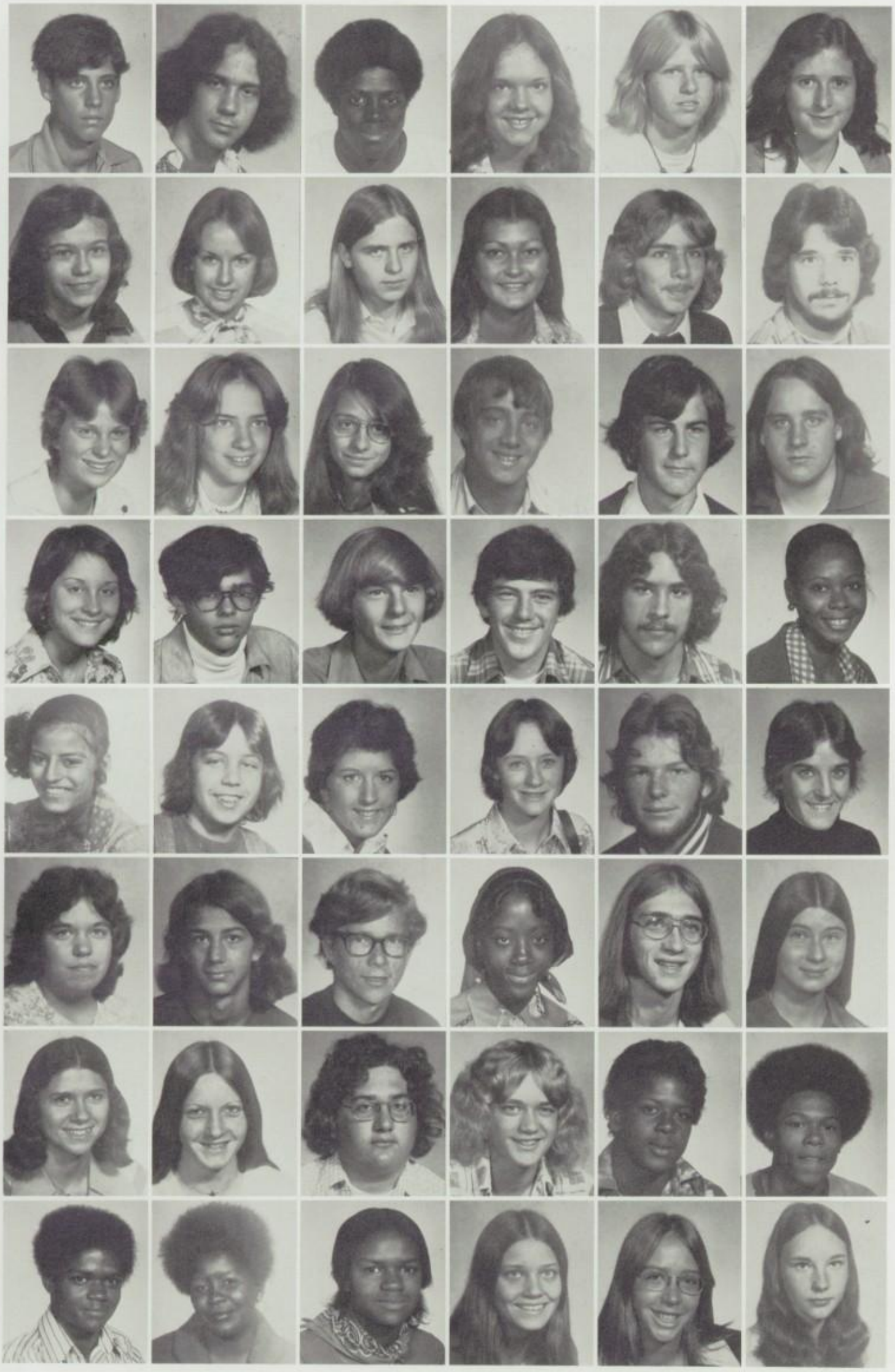
The Juniors Prevail!



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Randy Chipman

Terri Chipman
Sarah Combs
Melanie Candic
Scott Cook
Steven Cooke
Robert Coopen

Ann Cordier
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Jim Crepas
Micheal Crippin
Dan Cross
Kathy Crump

Sheila Cruz
Kevan Cudney
Judy Cunningham
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William Dahl
Deb Davenport

Linde Davidson
Andy Davis
David Davis
Dorothea Davis
Steve Payton
Pat Dean

Andrea DeAngelis
Lori DeHaan
Paul Denenfeld
Mike Dickie
Kenneth Dixon
Rickey Dixon

Vincent Dixon
Fronnie Dixon
Windy Dixon
Cindy Somaska
Carol Donoghue
Dareen Domaska

Go Juniors!

Renata Dotson
Kevin Dowdy
Sue Drenten
Kim Dungey
Debbie Dunning
Jeff Dunning

Angel Earl
Theresa Eckelbecker
Grant Eldride
Clair Ely
Danny Emmons
Ralph Erickson

Ronald Esman
Judy Essar
Theresa Ezell
Debra Foder
Anna Falls
Susan Fall

Martin Ferguson
Gina Ferraro
Kirk Finchem
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Elise Fleckenstein

Wilfred Forshey
Lourdes Fernandez
Terri Freeman
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Jeffery Gibson
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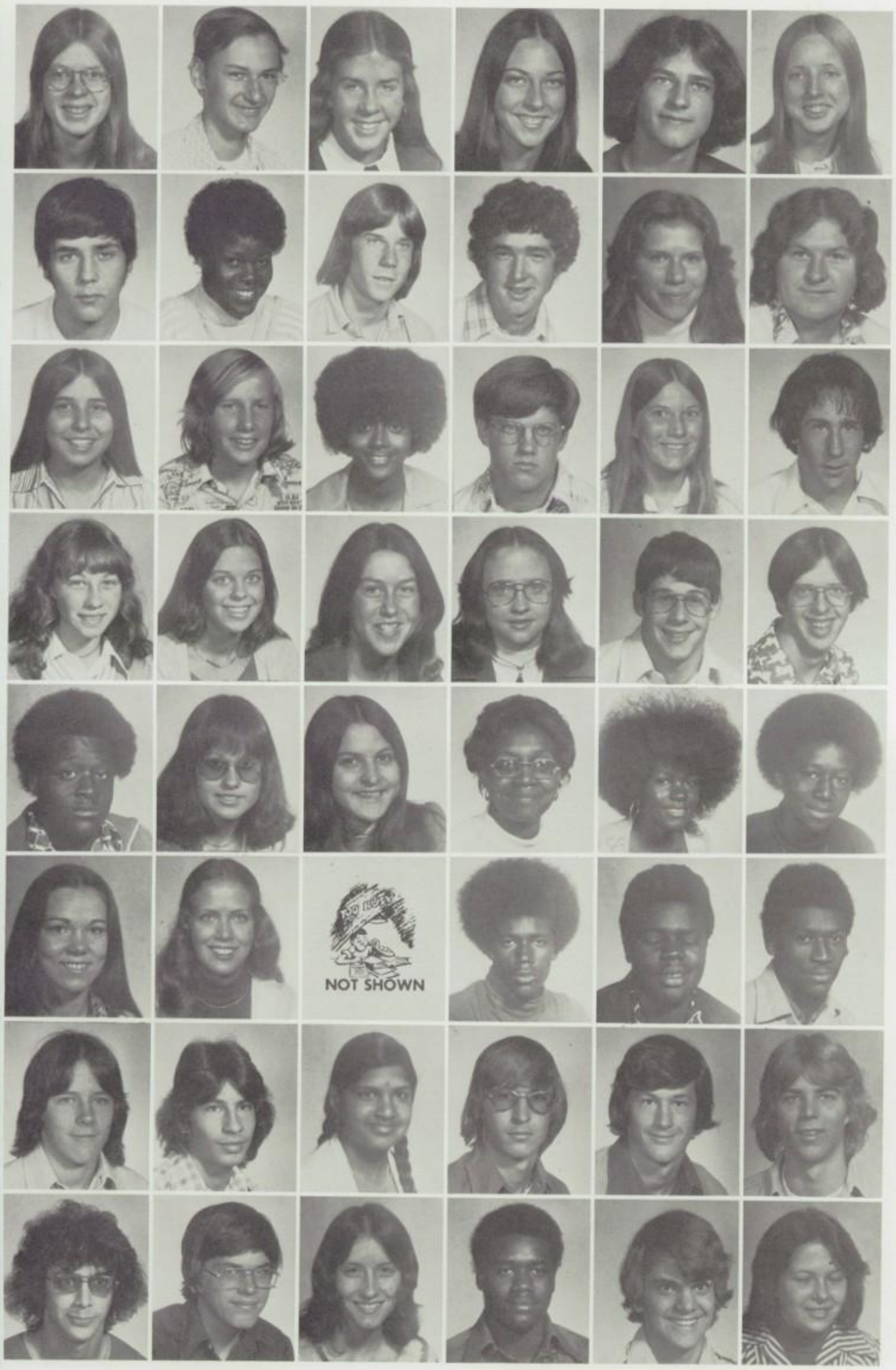
Juniors Support Central



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Charles Johnson

Kim Johnson
Marilyn Johnson
Deborah Jones
Emmett Jones
Glen Jones
R. C. Jones

Tim Jones
Jamie Junker
Nita Kalani
Doug Kammeraad
John Keep
Jim Keeler

Don Kehoe
Tim Kemp
Teresa Kerr
Billy King
Gary Kirchherr
Nancy Kirk

Juniors Are Great

Steve Kirk
Tom Kirpatrick
Ken Kirton
Julie Kleis
Mike Klepper
Sonia Kline

Debbie Kittredge
Wendy Kline
Cheryl Knapp
Lori Knapp
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Kathy List
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Tom Locey

Gary Larkin
Charles Lee
Roger Lovely
Ginger Lund
Randy Lund
Darin Luttrell

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Susan Markusse
Paul Martin
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James Marsh
Deb Maurer

Kevin Mazer
Deia McCormick
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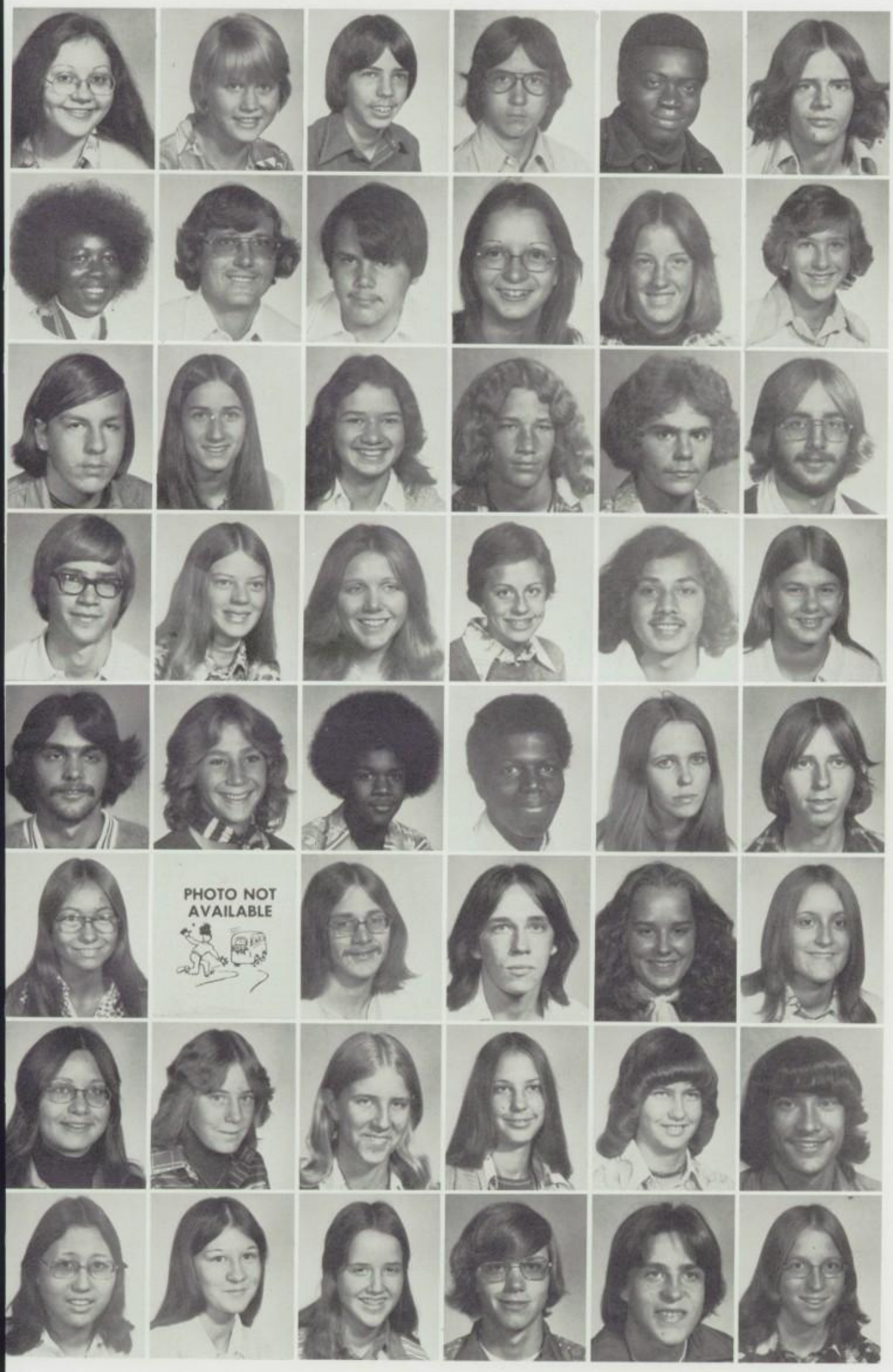
Donald Minott

Juniors Are Talented



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Stephen Prange
Barney Priest
Brenda Pyle

Juniors Will Be Seniors in September —

Kathie Pyne
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Audrey Rancifer

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Laura Schrier

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Rene Shephard
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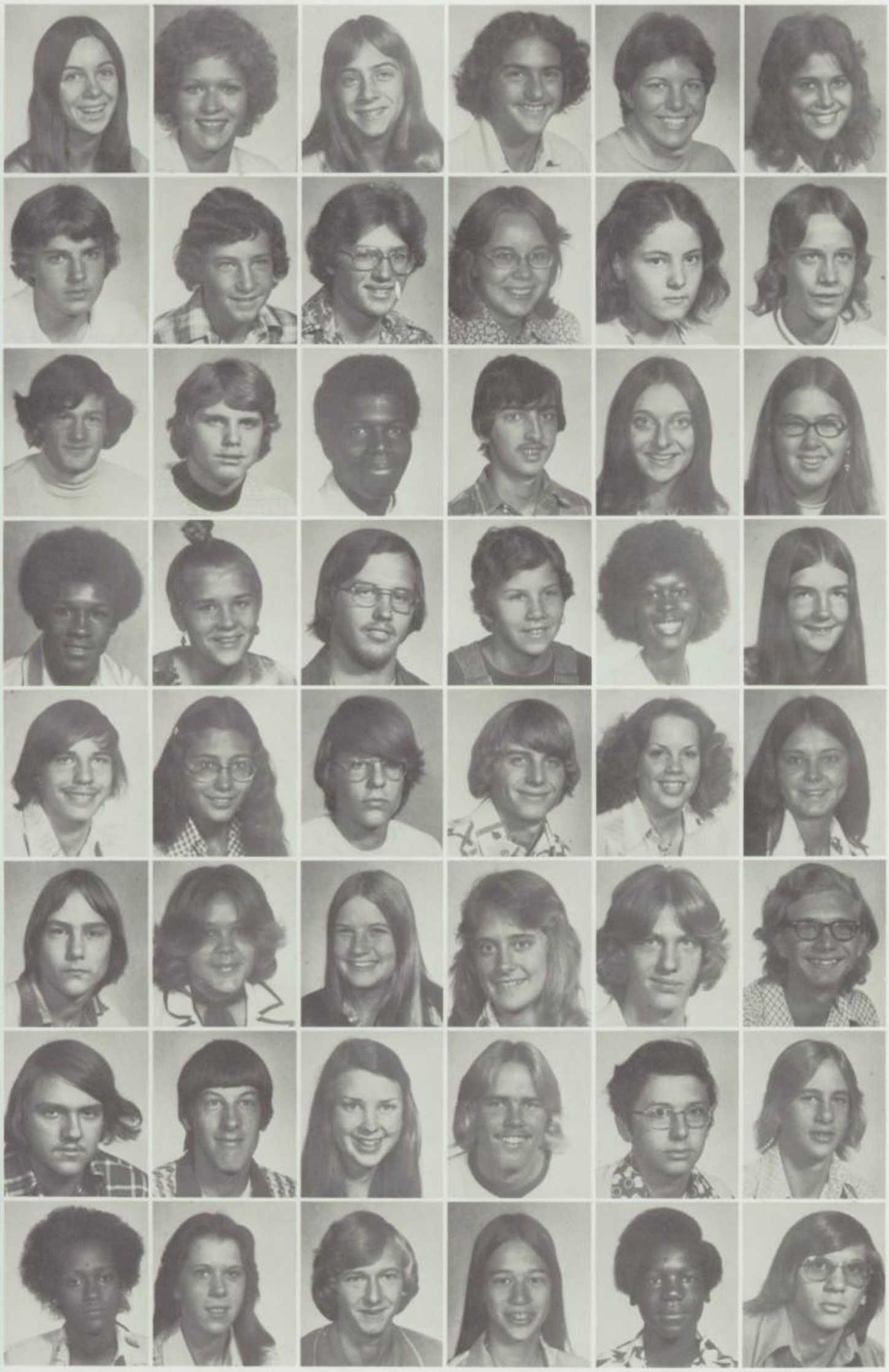
Go Juniors



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Larry Sullivan

Carlton Swader
Bill Switzer
Kathy Taylor
Leon Tetzlaff
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Gretchen Thomas

Shawn Thomas
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Dan Tinklenberg
Yvonne Treloar
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Theresa Troutman

John Tuinier
Ruth VanderBroek
Jim Vielbig
Mike Vigen
Jana Von Sprecken
Laura Walker

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Liesa Walgamuth
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Alan Wallace
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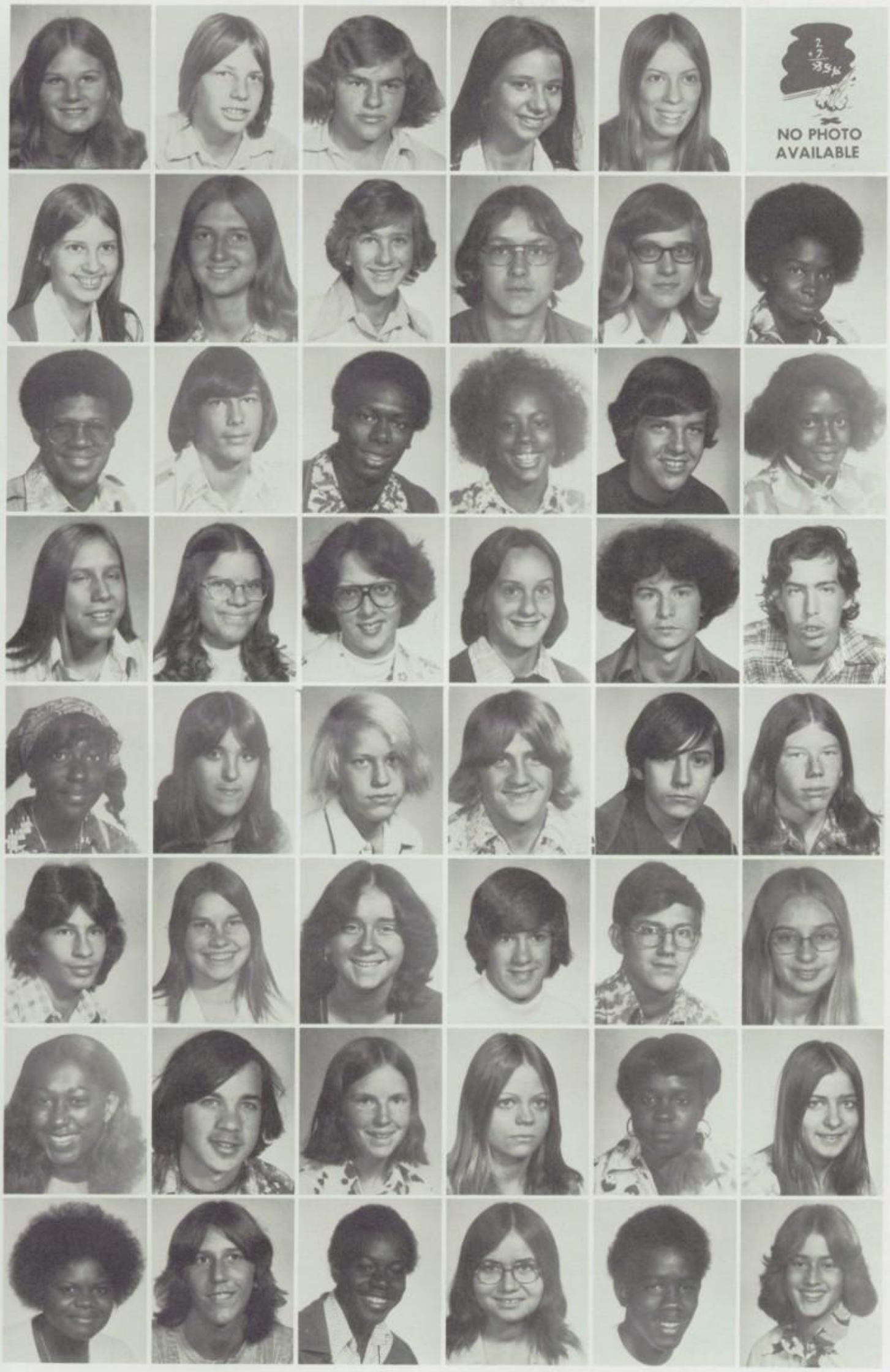
This Is the Class of 1978



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The Class of Dreams

Lori Brown
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Oscar Brown
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Janet Cherpes

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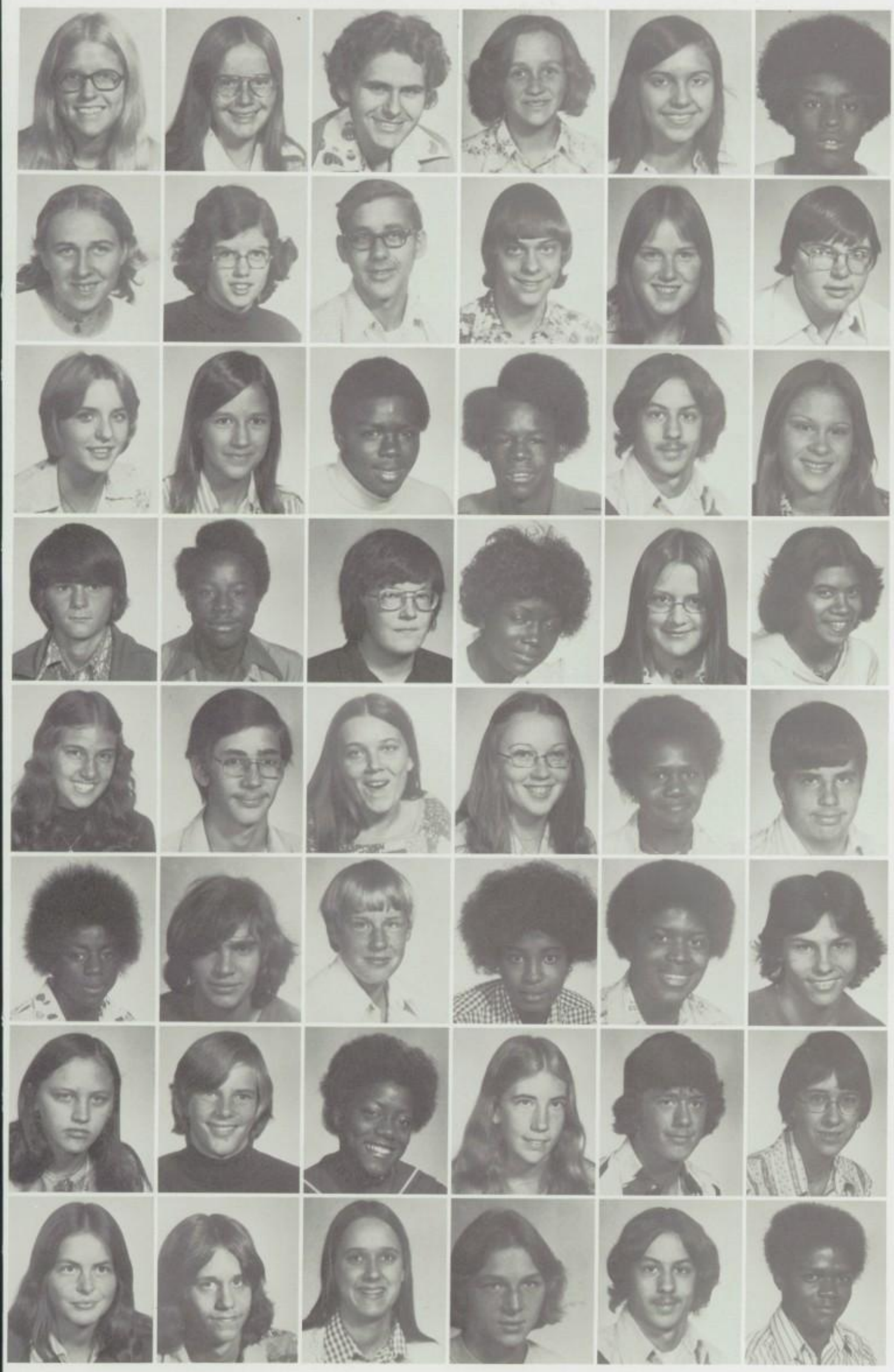

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Roxanne Green
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Vince Dixon

"Rookies" Win Homecoming

David Greenquist
Carol Gregory
Vern Gregrich
Debi Dalton
Robert Hahn
Ellen Hamilton

Michael Hanson
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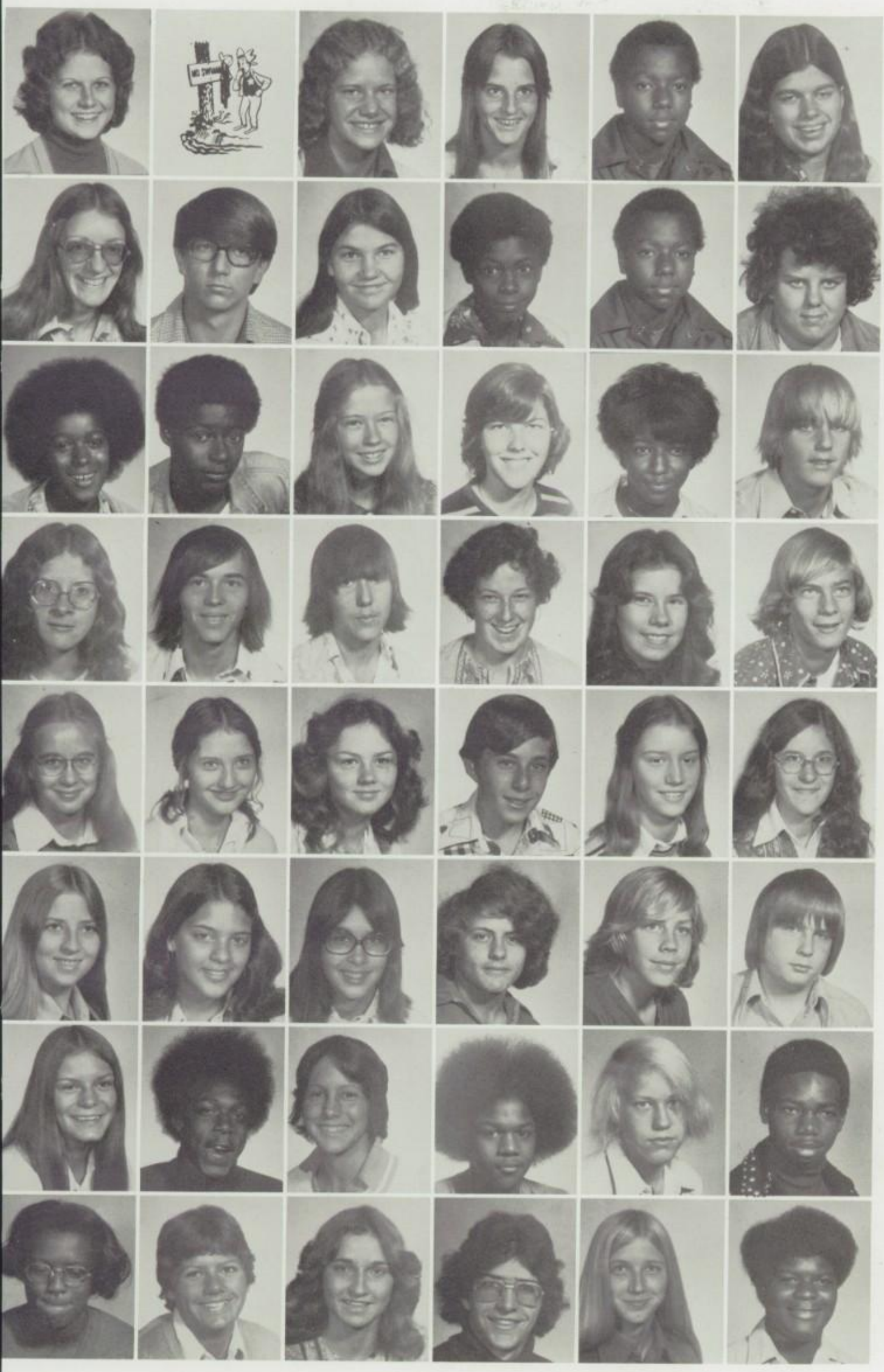
Float Competition in '75



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Mark Latva
Amy Lauver
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Marti Lester
Biff Levy

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Jane Lewis
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Norene Lind
Bobby Lipsey

Go Sophomores!

Deborah Lockhart
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Karen Lower
Jack Mabry
Mark Maher

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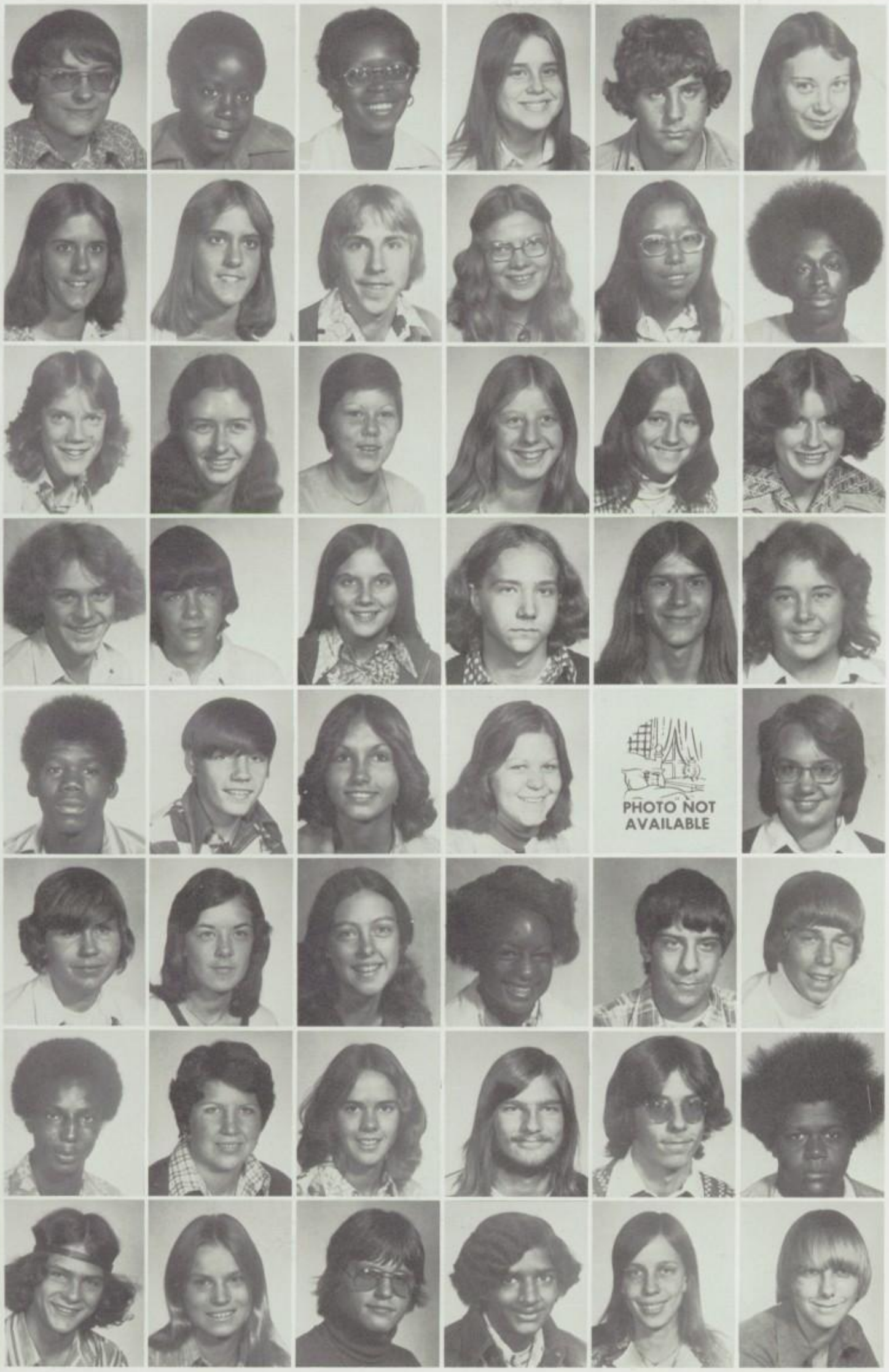
Support Central High!



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10th Graders Are Juniors

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Barbra Taylor
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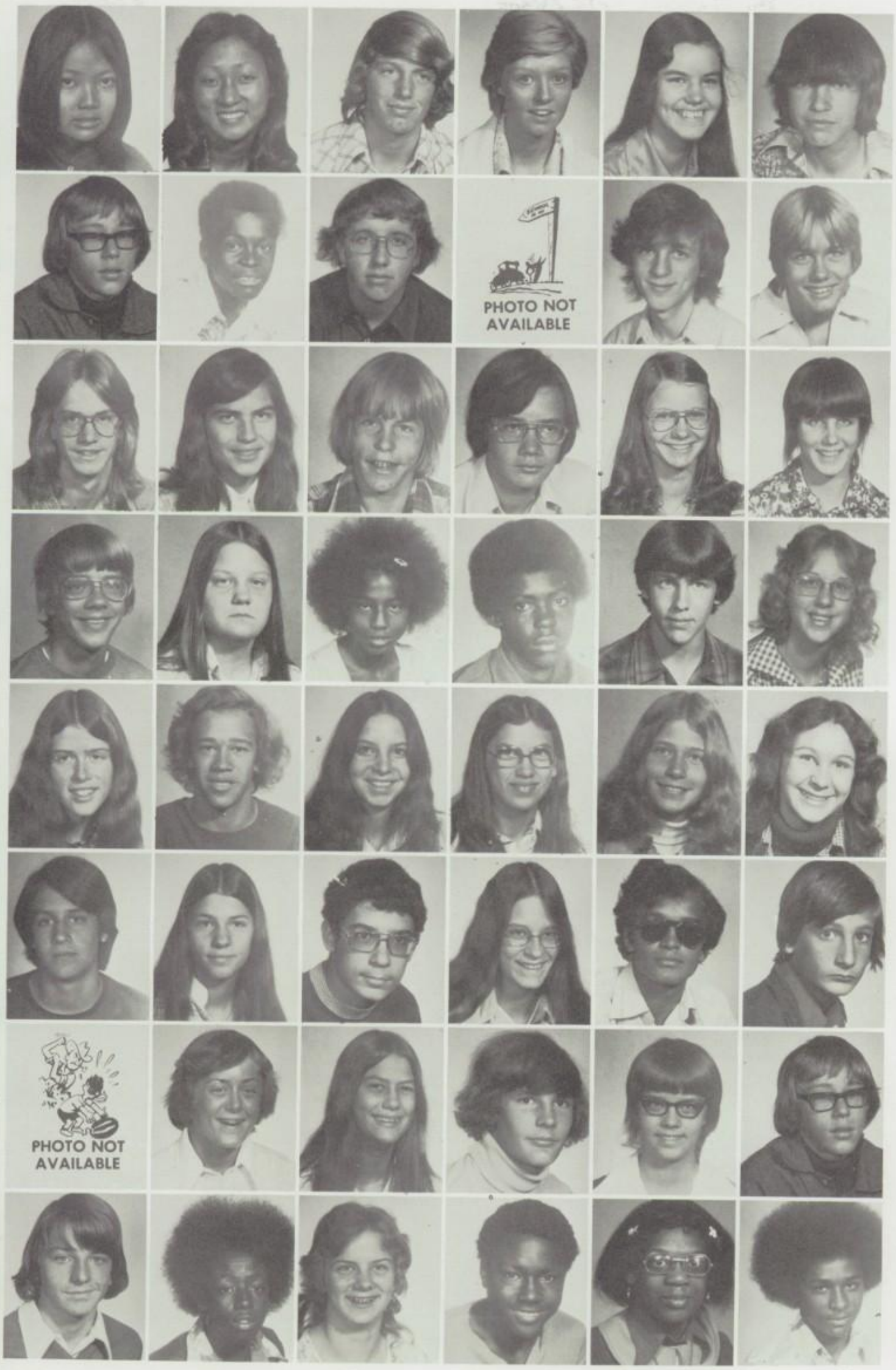

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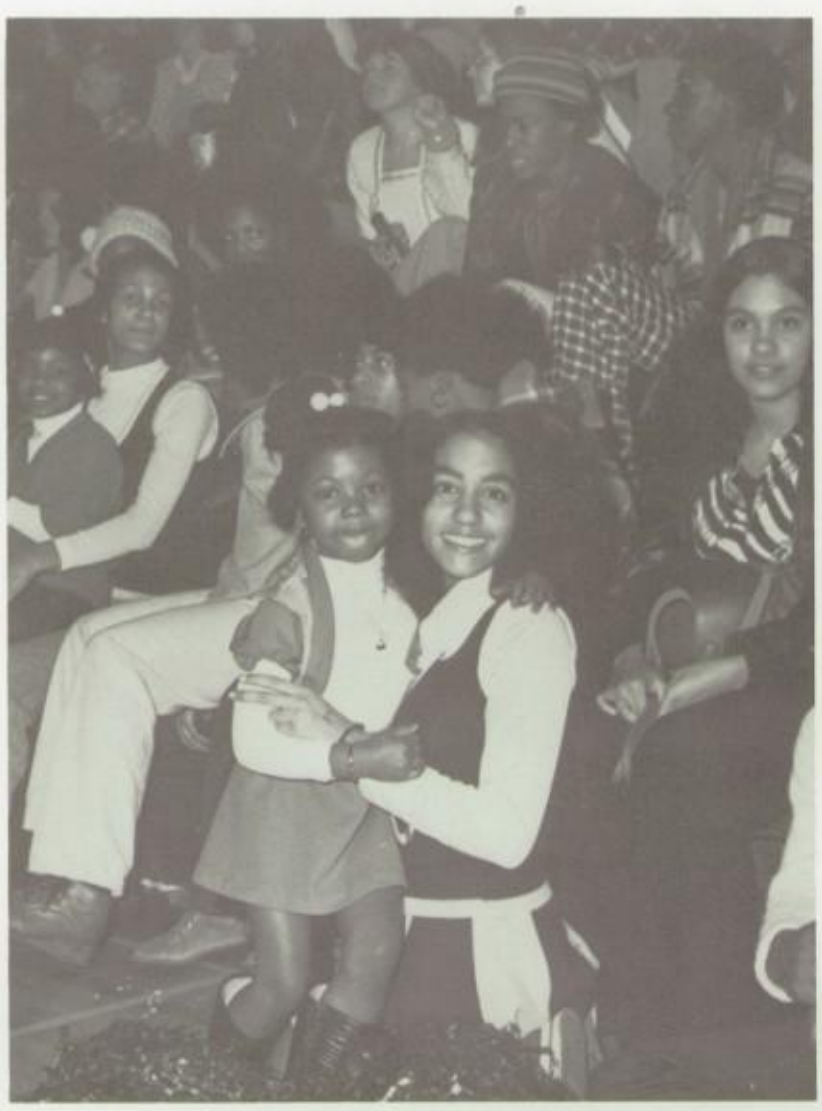
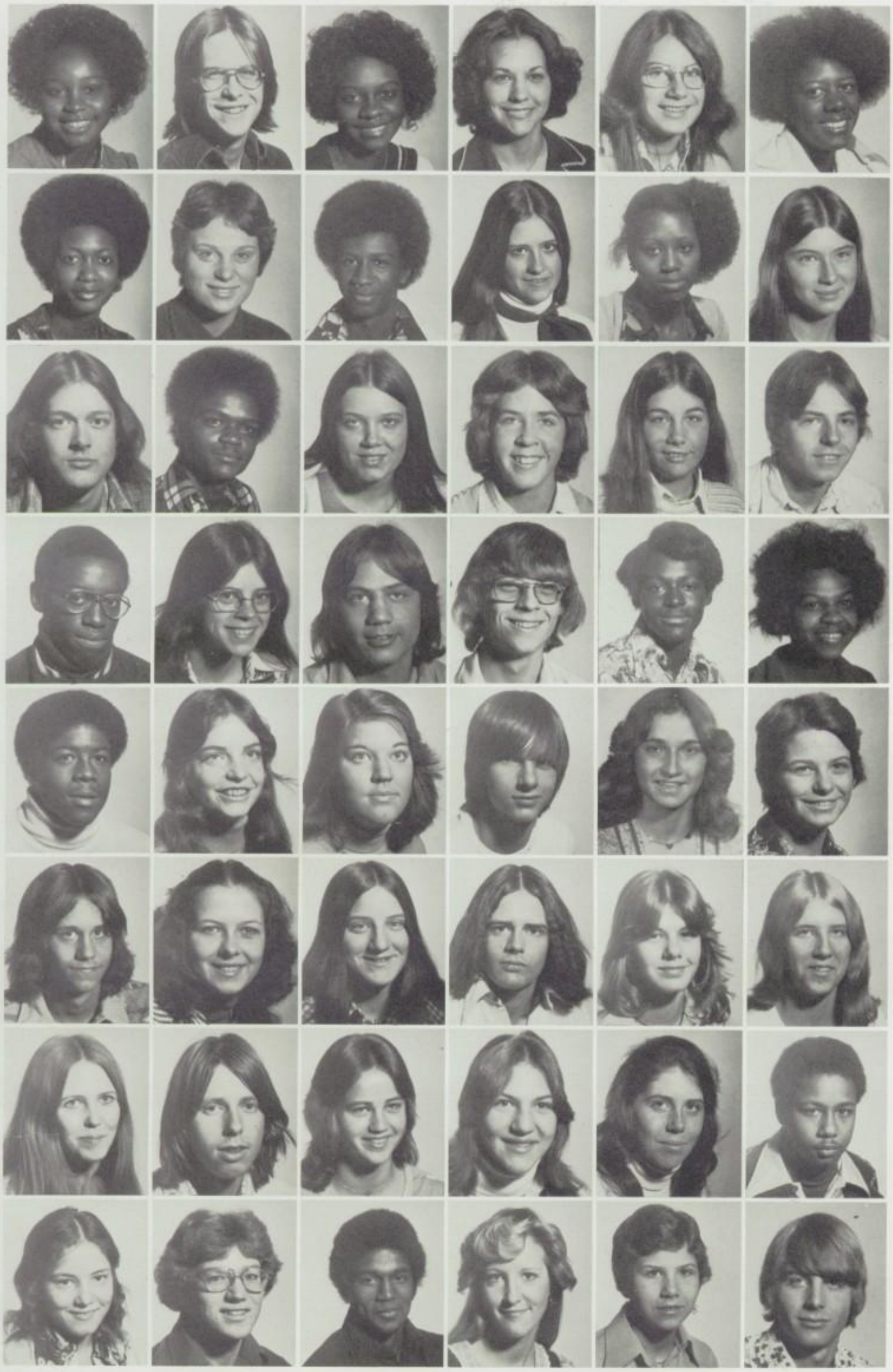


Retakes — 11th Grade



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Kathy Taylor
Yvonne Treloar
Mike Vigen

Retakes — 11th and 10th Grade

Al Wallace
Kelleen Walton
Ginny Weber
Gary Wells
Teresa Whipple
Teresa Williams

Tina Williams
Mike Winch
Marcia Woodworth
Lyle Baker
Wallace Baker
Sue Baker

Lois Beck
Daniel Blades
Michael Bryant
Stella Carosso
Lonnie Carver
Steve Chambers

Jeff Cobb
Scott Cook
Cheryl DePouw
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Linda Ford
Robert Freedenburg

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Linda Givens
Robert Granville
Joy-Lynn Hornbeck
Oxie Hendrix
Joel Jablonski

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Tourjous Jackson
Carla Jones
Marcia Jones
Anita Kiewiet
Ann Leonard

Daborah Lockhart
Craig Martin
Kerry McIntyre
Terri McFadden
Kathy McNee
Lori Miller

Roberta Murfin
Marc Parham
Terri Payne
Julie Pigeon
Barney Priest
Karen Ranney

10th Grade Retakes

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Francine Remmert
Mary Salvaggio
Jonathan Schuck
Debbie Simpson
Bernese Snell

Rhonda Sommers
Becky Stock
Mike Stroud
Barb Struck
Barbara Taylor
Kim Wade

Marily Wallace
Lisa Weier
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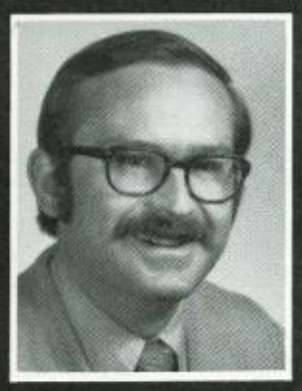
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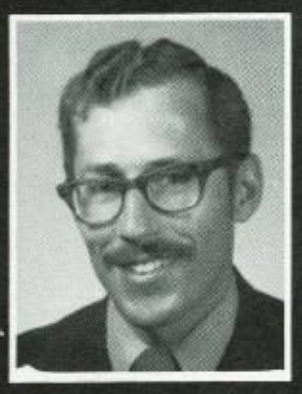
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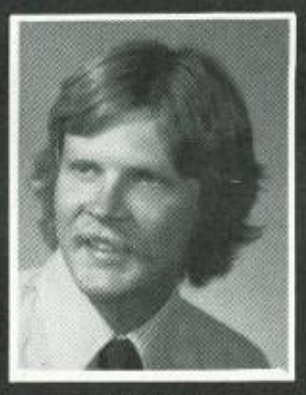
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BANGHART, DENNIS C., B.A., M.A., (Ferris State, Western Michigan University) Graphic Arts

BAUM, ELEANOR R., A.B., B.S., M.A., (Ohio Northern University, Ohio State University) Drama, Speech

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CALLAHAN, VICTOR L., B.S., (Eastern Illinois University) Business, Wrestling Coach

CANNON, GLORIA, B.S., M.A., (Ball State University, Western Michigan University) Chairman: English Department

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CLARK, ALFRED, A.B., B.S., M.A., (ED. SP) (Western Michigan University, Michigan State University, University of Michigan) Chemistry

CLYSDALE, GENE E., B.A., M.A., M.S.L., (Western Michigan University) Media Center Director

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GARDNER, CLARENCE J., B.A., (Western Michigan University) Business Education, Assistant Basketball Coach

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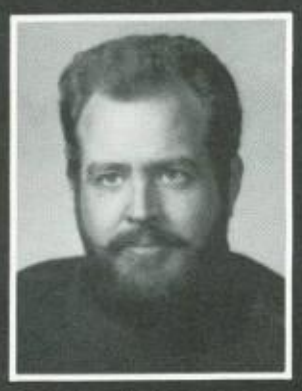
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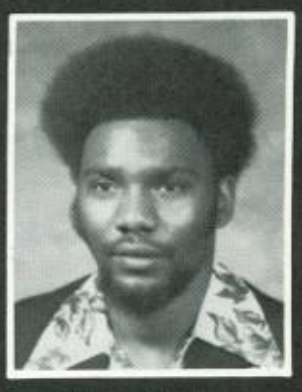
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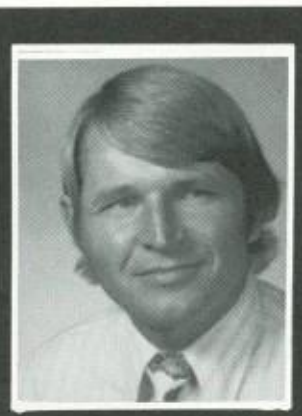
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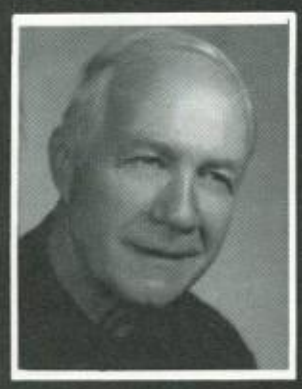
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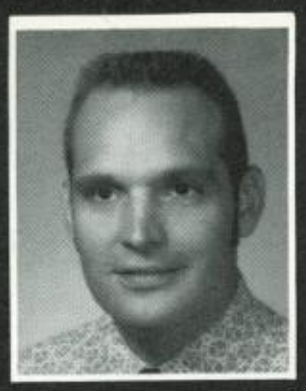
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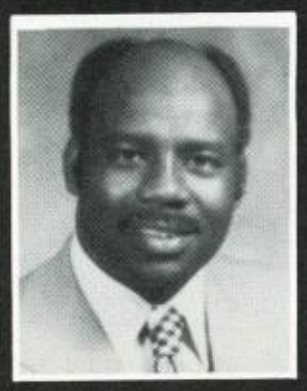
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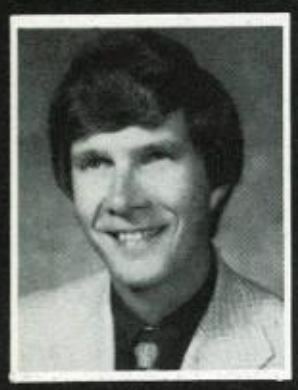
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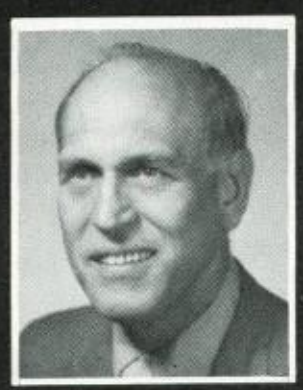
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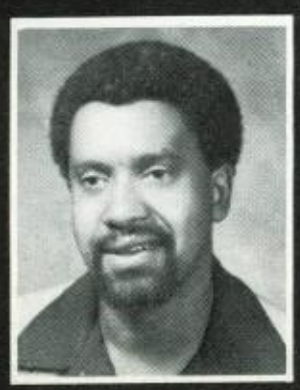
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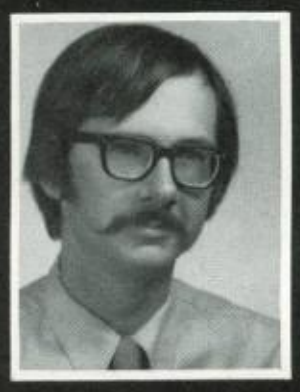
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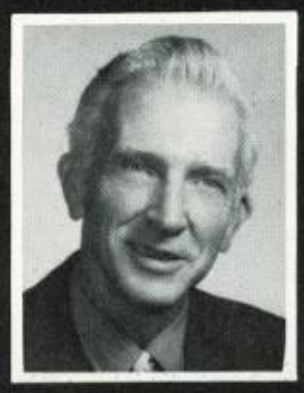
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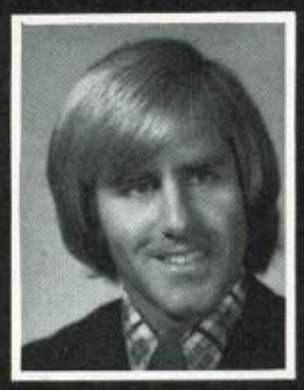
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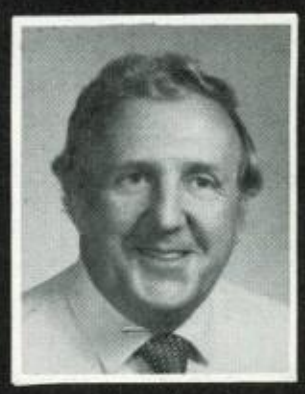
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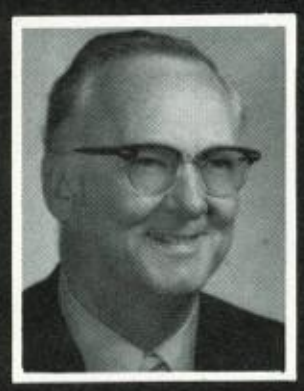
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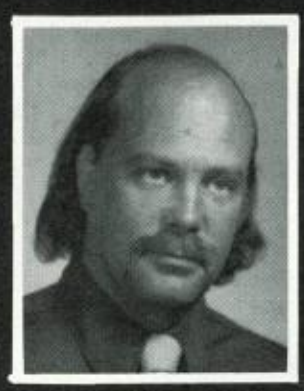
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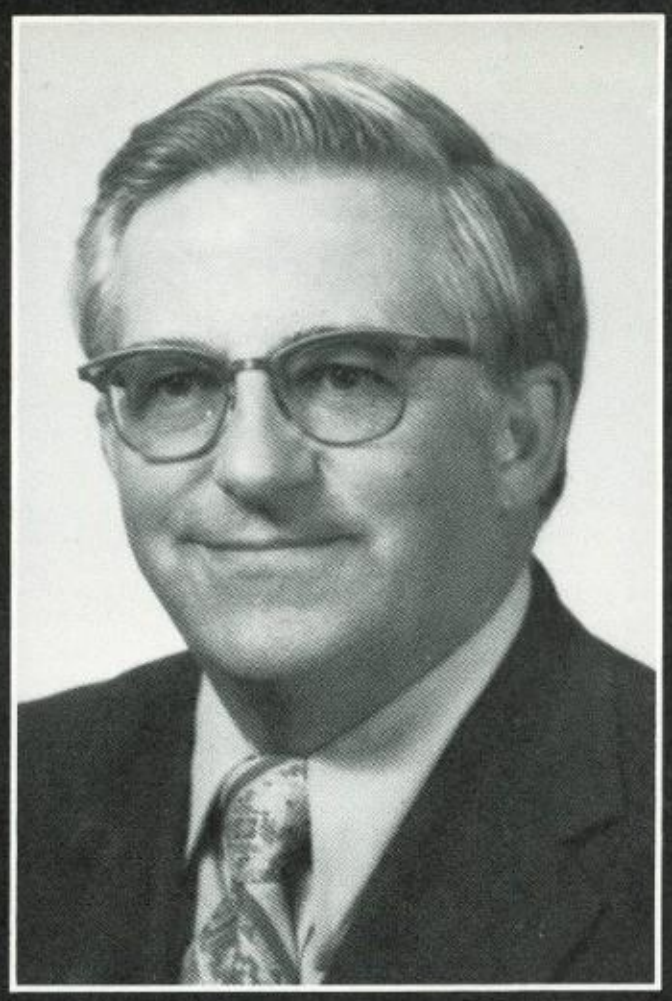

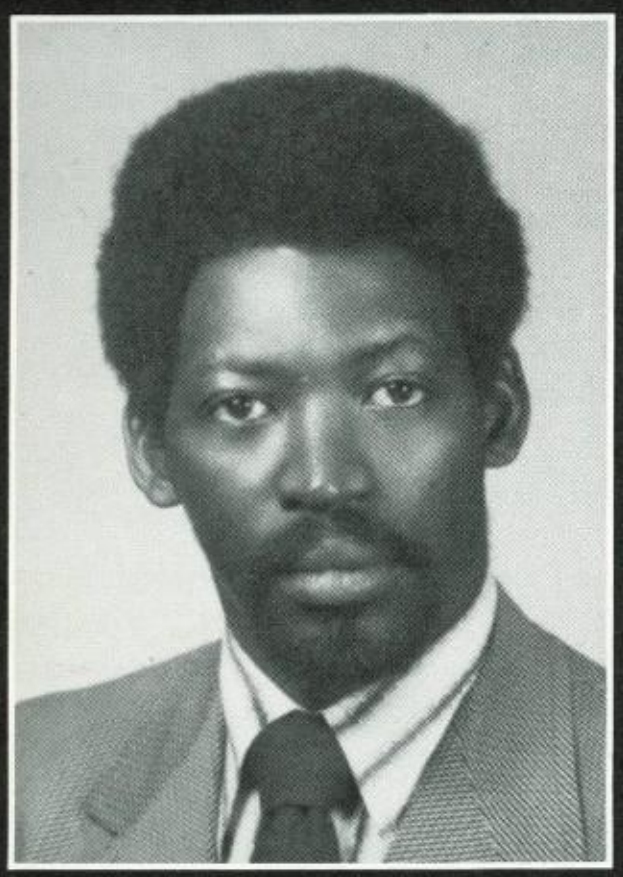

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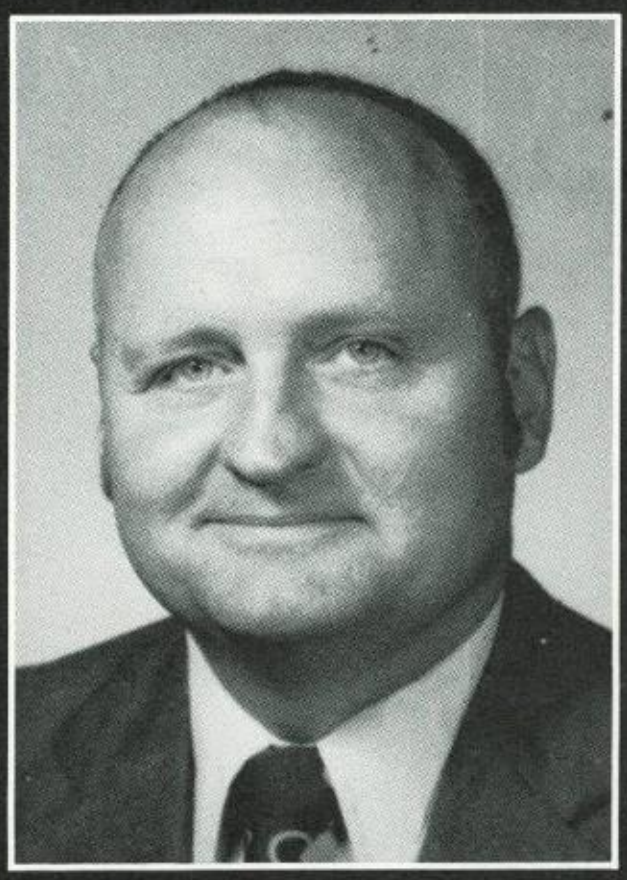

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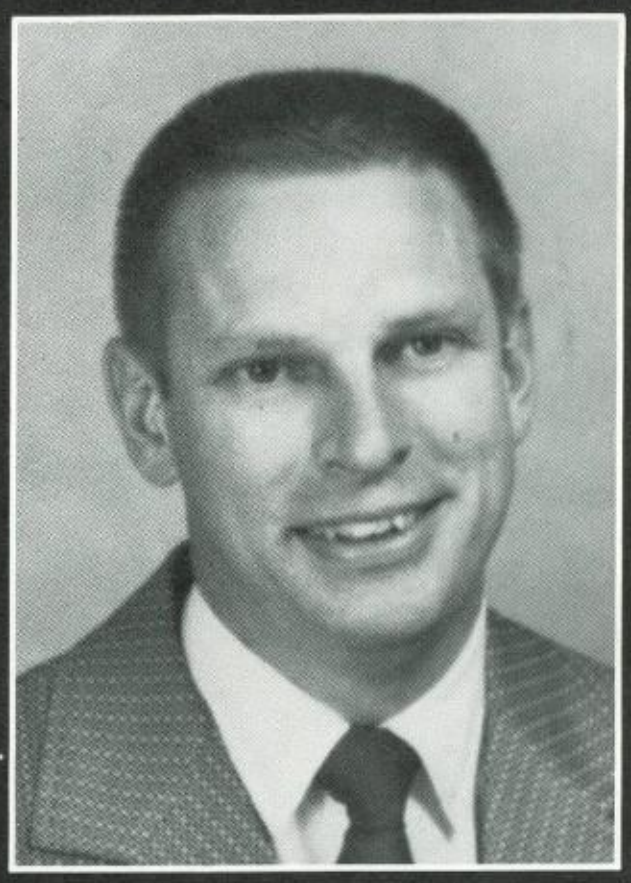

William Pyle: Dean of Students

The Central High School Administration this year has successfully run a complex high school of over 1500 students smoothly and efficiently.

They have worked with students on many projects including the Bread Lift, Inter-School Councils, individual social problems, dances, and athletic contests.

They have implemented on a continuing basis our fine attendance policies, and supported the teaching staff in their work.

Throughout the year our administration has helped and encouraged students to do a stronger more effective job in their studies and responsibilities. Central High can be proud of its fine Administration.

SENIORS 1976

Janice Abbey

Bruce Adams

Leslie Adkins

Dennis Aernie

Clifford Akker

Dan Alexander

Nancy Appel

Lori Athey

Rick Atkins

Donna Austin

Kristen Ayer

Timothy Baden

Cindy Baker

David Ballingall

Sonia Barbee

Jane Barrett

John Barrett

Kay Barstow

Rob Baxter

Craig Becker

Roy Beebe

Fawn Bennett

Trina Bennett

Robin Bently

Steve Birch

Debbie Blackmon

Mark Blamer

Mary Blankenship

Teresa Blount

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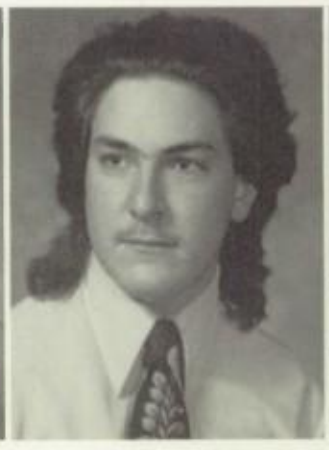
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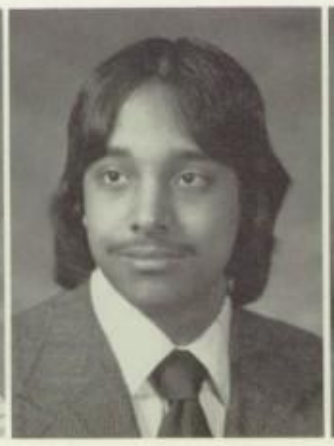
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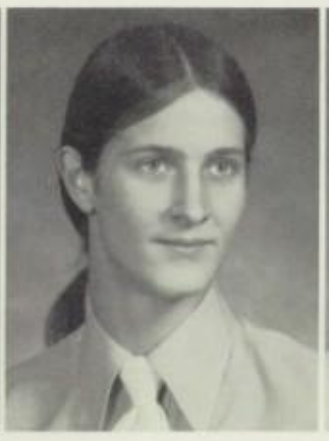
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Kathy DeGroat

Brenda DePouw

Daniel Depta

Karen DeYoung

Deborah Drain

Linda Dunn

Rosemary Earls

Patrica Earl

Teri Ellis

Cindy Engberts

Annette English

Mike Everett

Jan Fatzinger

Mike Ferrara

Cindy Finman

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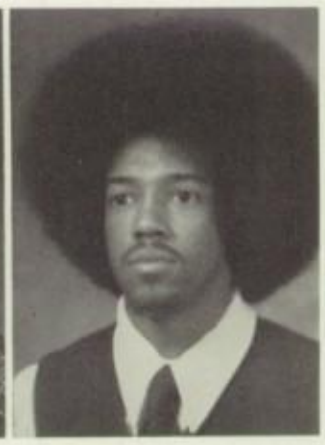
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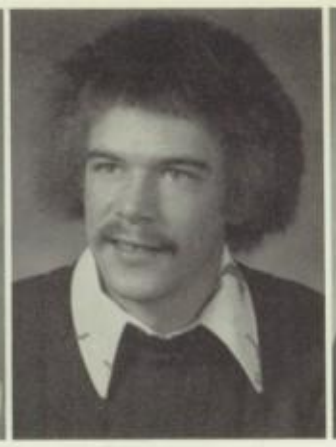
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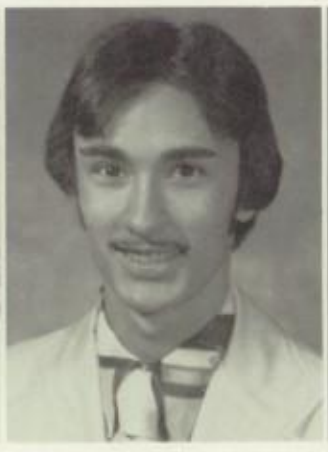
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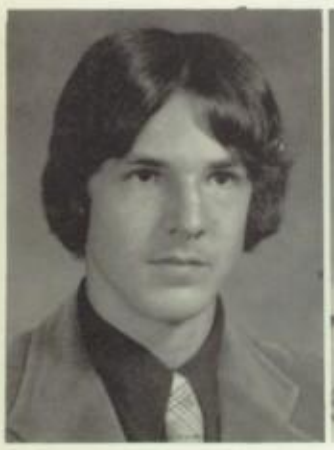
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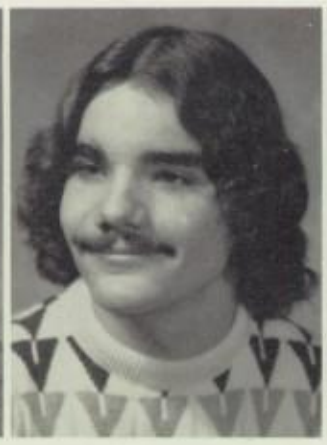
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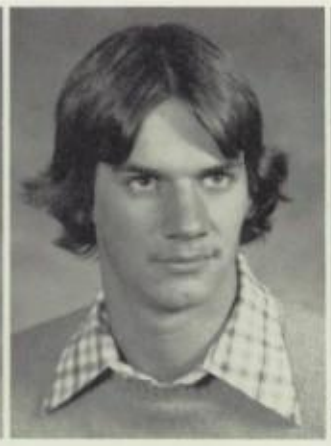
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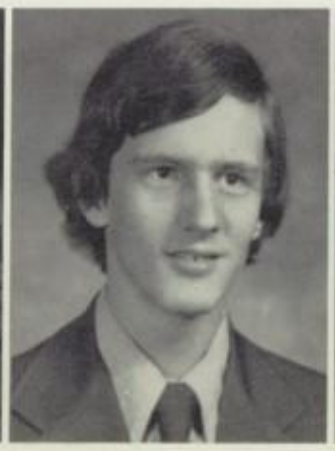
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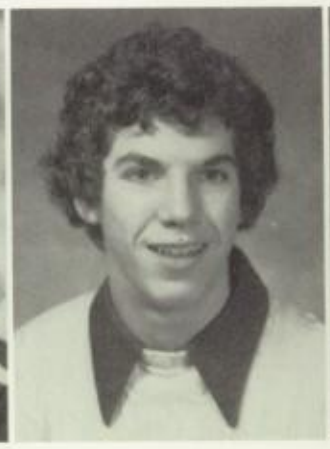
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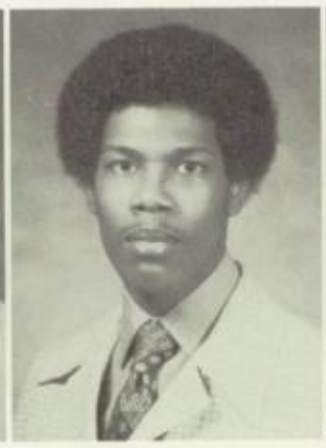
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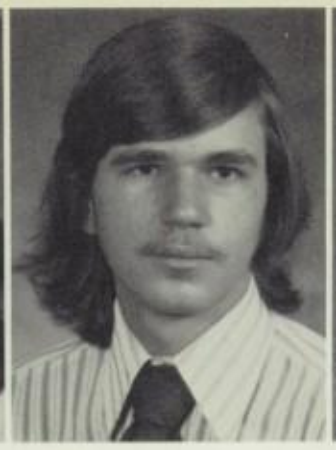
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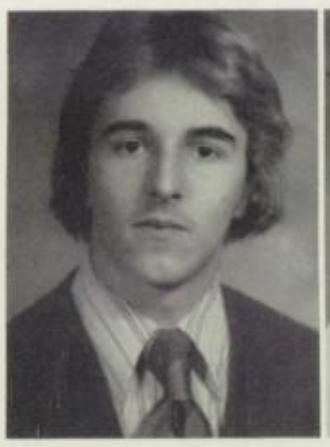
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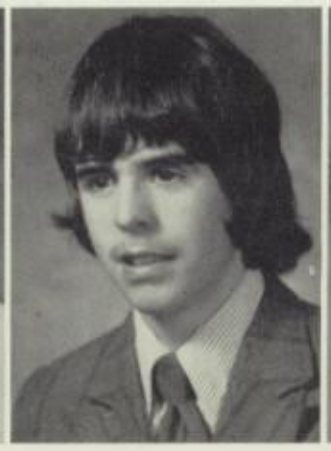
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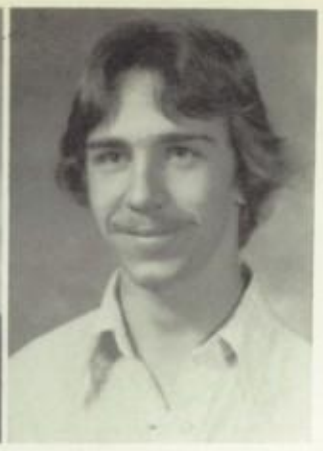

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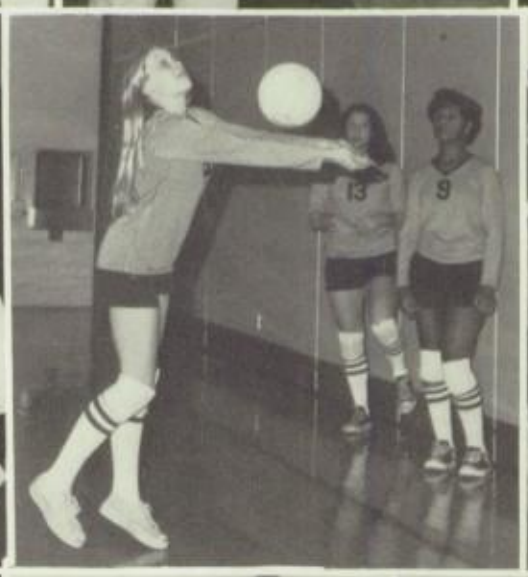

Senior Activity Directory

ADAMS, BRUCE — Junior Varsity Football, Junior Varsity Baseball, Co-op, Concern Staff

ADKINS, LESLIE — Interschool Council, Latin Club, Women's Varsity Track

AKKER, CLIFFORD — Concert Band, Dance Band, Marching Band, Maroon & White Review

ALEXANDER, DAN — Band, Debate, Forensics, Co-op

APPEL, NANCY — Junior Class Council, Orchestra, Choir, KISS ME KATE, Maroon & White Review

ATKINS, RICHARD — Varsity Hockey, Junior Varsity and Varsity Baseball, Varsity Football, Senior Class Council, Delphian Staff

AUSTIN, DONNA — Co-op

AYER, KRISTEN — French Club

BAKER, CYNTHIEA — Women's Swim Team, Attendance Office

BARBEE, SONIA — Co-op, Pep Club

BARRETT, JANE — Women's Track, Women's Softball, Powder Puff Football, Attendance Office

BARRETT, JOHN — Band, Marching Band, Stage Band, GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE, Chess Club

BARSTOW, KAY — Women's Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball, Women's Varsity Track, Junior Class Council, Powder Puff Football

BECKER, CRAIG — Junior Varsity and Varsity Golf, Varsity Tennis, Ski Club, Pep Club, Junior and Senior Class Council

BENNETT, FAWN — GUYS AND DOLLS, THE TAMING OF THE SHREW, Varsity Tennis

BIRCH, STEVEN — Band, Marching Band, Stage Band, French Club

BISCHOFF, CHRIS — Varsity Swimming, Junior Varsity Tennis, Ski Club, German Club, Bowling Team

BLUE, RONALD — Junior Varsity Baseball, Junior Varsity Basketball, Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Varsity Hockey

BOYKINS, ANTHONY — Junior Varsity Basketball

BRONSON, SUSAN — Young Lawyers, French Club, Bicentennial Committee, Junior Achievement

BROWN, CATHERINE — Powder Puff Football

BROWN, SHARII — Nurse's Staff, Mat Maid, Pep Squad

BURNETT, JODI — Attendance Office

BURNS, KAREN MARIE — Sophomore and Junior and Senior Class Council, Women's Swimming — Co-Captain, Pep Club, Ski Club, Attendance Office, Delphian Staff, Homecoming Court

CALDWELL, CHRISTOPHER G. — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball, Varsity Track, Junior Class Council, Delphian Staff, Black Culture Club

CANTU, ELOY — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Varsity Track, Co-op

CAREY, DEBORAH — Co-op, Play Productions, Drama Club, Powder Puff Football

CAROSSO, JUAN — Varsity Wrestling, Ski Club

CARPENTER, DEBRA — Future Nurses, Co-op, TAMING OF THE SHREW

CARTER, SONJIA — Attendance Office, Delphian Staff, Interschool Council

CHAMBERS, JACQUELINE — Interschool Council, Co-op, Sophomore and Junior Class Council

CHRISTENSON, GREGG — Concert Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Debate, Chess Club, French Club, Junior Achievement, Forensics

CLOSSON, BRENDA — Band, Orchestra, German Club

COLE, THOMAS — KISS ME KATE, GUYS AND DOLLS, Orchestra

CONNER, STEPHANIE — Attendance Office

CRIFFIELD, JACKIE — Spanish Club

CRIPPS, CATHERINE — Choir, GUYS AND DOLLS, Maroon & White Review, Shared Time

CROUCH, BRUCE — Junior Varsity Football, Band, Chess Club

CUDNEY, TYREN — Co-op

CZUK, KATHY JO — Softball, Women's Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball, Powder Puff Football

DALTON, JULIE — Concern, Future Nurses, KIND LADY, Powder Puff Football

DALY, KATHY — Homecoming Committee, Homecoming Court, Manager — Women's Basketball, Ski Club, Pep Club, Sophomore, Junior, Senior Class Council, Powder Puff Football, Interschool Council, Delphian Co-editor, Explorer

DANEK, BARBARA — Women's Junior Varsity and Varsity Tennis, Women's Volleyball, Delphian Staff, Powder Puff Football, Women's Varsity Track, Ski Club

DAVIS, COREY — Diving Team, Photo Editor — Concern, Diving Coach — Women's Swimming, Junior and Senior Class Council

DEGROAT, KATHY — Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleader, Co-op

DENNANY, SALLY — Co-op

DEPOUW, BRENDA — Band, Co-op

DEWEY, ERIC — Band, Marching Band, Spanish Club, Debate, Forensics, GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE, Maroon & White Review, Emcee — Pep Rallies, Drama Club, Aurther Tinty Dramatics Award

DEYOUNG, KAREN — MAD WOMAN OF CHAILLOT, CURIOUS SAVAGE, TAMING OF THE SHREW, Women's Swimming, Interschool Council, Powder Puff Football

DRAIN, DEBORAH — Co-op

EARL, PATRICIA — Powder Puff Football

EICHELBERG, JANE — Powder Puff Football, Play Productions, Co-op

ELLIS, TERI — Film Critic and Editorial Editor — Concern

ENGLISH, ANNETTE — A. V. Department

EVERETT, MICHAEL — Junior Varsity Football, Debate, Co-op, Machine Trades, Orchestra

FERGUSON, MARK — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity and Varsity Baseball, Editor — Concern, Film Magic Staff, Senior Class Council

FINMAN, CYNTHIA — Band, Marching Band, KISS ME KATE

FLAGMEIER, DEBRA — GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE, Chorus, Choir

FOOTE, JOHN — Co-op

FOSTER, JOHN — Band, Debate, Forensics, German Club

FULTON, SCOTT — Spanish Club, Drama Club, Junior Achievement, KIND LADY, MAD WOMAN OF CHAILLOT, SNEAKY FITCH

GLASER, SHARON — Band, Orchestra, Pep Band, German Club, KISS ME KATE

GROOTEN, RICHARD — Football, Baseball, Construction Trades

GULBRONSEN, CINDY — Feature Editor and Advertising Manager — Concern, Ski Club, Pep Club, Film Magic Staff, Delphian Staff, Spanish Club, Young Lawyers

HAMILTON, ALICE — Softball, Swimming, Diving, Women's Junior Varsity Basketball

HAMILTON, CYNTHIA — Delphian Staff, Attendance Office

HAMILTON, ELAINE — Future Nurses, Co-op, Attendance Office

HARLEY, THERON — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity and Varsity Wrestling, Track

HARTGERINK, JUDITH — Ice Skating Club, French Club, Attendance Club

HAUPT, DAVID — Electronics Club, German Club, Snaps Club

HELGESEN, CHUCK — Concert Band, Pep Band, Track and Field, Dance Band, Marching Band

HIGHFIELD, JULIE — Women's Varsity Basketball, Softball

HILBAERRY, JANE — Orchestra, Band, Lab Assistant, German Club, GUYS AND DOLLS

HILL, JULIE — French Club, Orchestra, Mythology Club, Spanish Club, Co-op, Maroon & White Review, Skating Club, GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE

HODAPP, THOMAS — Concert Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Snaps Club, Radio Club

HOFF, KEITH — Swimming, Co-op, Baseball

HOLADAY, KATHERINE — Band, Orchestra, Lab Assistant, Merit Semifinalist, GUYS AND DOLLS

HORTON, BRIAN — Junior Varsity and Varsity Baseball

HUBBARD, ANNETTE — Black Culture Club, Pep Club, Co-op, Building Advisory Council, Sophomore and Junior and Senior Class Council, Delphian Staff, Grievance Committee

HUNT, PATRICIA — Concert Band, Marching Band, Dance Band, Choir, KISS ME KATE, GUYS AND DOLLS

HUSBAND, TERI SUE — Co-Editor — Delphian, Women's Volleyball

IVORY, KELLEY — Women's Swimming, Future Nurses, Child Care, Library Helper

JOHNSON, THOMAS — Co-op

JOLLIFFE, LEE ANN — CURIOUS SAVAGE, TAMING OF THE SHREW, MAD WOMAN OF CHAILLOT, Future Nurses, Drama Club

JONES, GARRY — Junior Varsity and Varsity Wrestling, Track, Cross Country

JONES, GREGG — Wrestling, MAD WOMAN OF CHAILLOT

JUNKER, LOUIS — Men's Varsity Swimming

KALLEWAARD, DAN — Junior Varsity Basketball, Varsity Football, Hockey, Junior Varsity Baseball, Delphian Staff, Co-op

KALLEWARD, KATHY — Softball, Co-op

KEENE, DEBBY — Concern Staff, Attendance Office, Women's Volleyball, Women's Swimming, Powder Puff Football

KIRTON, PAMELA — French Club, Ski Club, Women's Volleyball

KNAPP, LINDA — Women's Basketball, Softball, Junior Class Council, Powder Puff Football

KNOECHEL, DON — Swim Team, Club Hockey — Manager

KOPONEN, TIMOTHY — Wrestling, Junior Achievement, Junior Varsity Football, Choir, French Club, Bowling Team, GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE, KIND LADY, SNEAKY FITCH, Maroon & White Review

KREMMERS, WALTER — Latin Club, Delphian

KROST, KAREN — Women's Varsity Golf, Ski Club, French Club, CURIOUS SAVAGE, TAMING OF THE SHREW

LAMPER, SHELLEY — Pep Club, French Club, KIND LADY

LANTZ, STEPHEN — Chess Club, Tennis Team

LAUVER, EDWARD — Band, Marching Band, French Club, Drama Club, Dance Band, Lab Assistant, Snaps Club, KISS ME KATE

LEDBETTER, LEVIE — Sophomore, and Junior and Senior Class Council, Pep Club, Attendance Office, Homecoming Court

LIELZUIKA, ARDIS — Men's Varsity Swimming, Volleyball Coach, Choir, KISS ME KATE, GUYS AND DOLLS, Ski Club

LOEW, BARBARA — Spanish Club, KISS ME KATE

LOGAN, KATHY JO — Women's Volleyball, Women's Varsity Golf

LORENZ, MICHAEL — Junior Varsity Baseball, Varsity Hockey, Construction Trades

LOWRY, ROBERT — Debate, Forensics, Marching Band, German Club, Concert Band, Dance Band

MAC DONALD, KATHERINE — Ski Club, Attendance Office, Pep Club, Co-op

MAHER, KEVIN — Band, German Club, Forensics, Drama Club

MARKS, ADRIENNE — Concern, DECA, Grievance Committee, Pep Club, Maroon & White Review, Maroon Shop, Orchestra, KISS ME KATE, GUYS AND DOLLS

MARR, EDITH — TAMING OF THE SHREW, Day Care Center, Chorus

McCALL, HENRY LEE — Co-op, Junior Achievement

McDERMOTT, LYNETTA — Powder Puff Football, Women's Volleyball, Ski Club, Class Council

McENTERFER, ANTHONY — Youth Opportunities Unlimited

MERRIMAN, DEBRA — Mythology Club, Spanish Club, Women's Volleyball, Softball, Choir, Chorus, Maroon & White Review

MILLER, RHONDA — Concert Band, Marching Band, Choir, Co-op, KISS ME KATE

MOERMAN, TERRY — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity Basketball, Junior Varsity Baseball, Ski Club

MOHNEY, JAMES — Junior Varsity Wrestling, Co-op

MORFORD, TERI LEE — Debate, Forensics

NEAL, TERRI LYNNE — Women's Swimming, Powder Puff Football

NEDERVELT, PAUL — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball, Varsity Track, Senior Class Council, KISS ME KATE

NELSON, GLENNA — Co-op, Women's Field Hockey, Student Advisory Board, Building Advisory Committee

NEWTON, THOMAS — Manager — Cross Country, GUYS AND DOLLS

NICHOLS, KAREN — Black Culture Club, Pep Club, Interschool Council, Junior and Senior Class Council, Delphian Staff, Grievance Committee, ESAA, Attendance Office

PENNY, SUSAN — Delphian Staff, Attendance Office, Library Helper, Day Care Center, Co-op

PALMORER, MICHELE — Junior Varsity Basketball, Cheerleader, Attendance Office, Co-op

PETERSON, KATHE — Chess Club, Quiz Bowl, Interschool Council

POMPEY, THOMAS — Varsity Track, Varsity Cross Country

PRIOR, DONALD — Varsity Hockey, Junior Varsity Golf, Junior Varsity Baseball, Varsity Track

RANSOM, PHILLIP — Varsity Swimming

RAPP, KARMEN — Library Helper

REYNOLDS, MICHAEL — Band, Marching Band, Stage Band, French Club, Chess Club, GUYS AND DOLLS

RILEY, ELISABETH — French Club, Pep Club, Women's Volleyball, KIND LADY

ROBERT, PIERRE — Tennis Team, Drama Club, Choir, Chamber Choir, Ski Club, Debate, Forensics, TAMING OF THE SHREW, KISS ME KATE, Maroon & White Review

ROWLEY, SARAH — Women's Varsity Golf, French Club, Bicentennial Committee

RULIS, DIANA — Band, Marching Band, Women's Volleyball, Ski Club, Orchestra, KISS ME KATE, Maroon & White Review

SECHLER, LESLIE — Concert Band, Orchestra, Marching Band, Maroon & White Review

SELNER, RONALD — Band, Marching Band, Stage Band, KISS ME KATE

SHAFER, JILL — Co-op, Class Council, Powder Puff Football, Attendance Office

SHARPE, BOB — Ski Club

SHIVELY, JANE — Future Nurses

SHON, ELIZABETH — Women's Track, Women's Basketball, Volleyball, Swim Meet Timer

SIEBERT, KARL — Band, Marching Band, Orchestra, Electronics Club, German Club

SILLERY, CHARLENE — Field Hockey, Powder Puff Football

SMITH, CHRISTOPHER — Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball, Varsity Tennis, Debate, Forensics, Sophomore Class Council

SMITH, STEVE — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity and Varsity Wrestling

SOMERS, FRANCES — Women's Tennis, Ski Club, Class Council

SPARKS, SHERYL — Spanish Club, Mythology Club, Choir, Chamber Choir, Skating Club, KISS ME KATE, GUYS AND DOLLS, Maroon & White Review, Madrigal Dinner

STARKS, EDDIE — Manager — Maroon Shop, Delphian Staff, Senior Class Council, Varsity Track, Varsity Cross Country, Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleader

STARKS, WILLIE — Co-op, Track

STOPPELBERG, PENNY — Pep Club, Women's Volleyball

SWIERENGA, DEBORAH — GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE, Choir, Drama Club, Maroon & White Review, Future Nurses

SZYPERSKI, KEITH — Golf Team, Chess Club, Snaps Club

THOLE, DOUGLAS — Golf Team

THOMAS, TIMOTHY — Varsity Wrestling, Co-op

TRUAX, ROBERT — Junior Varsity and Varsity Football, Junior Varsity Wrestling, Junior Varsity Baseball

VALDEZ, ROBIN — Maroon & White Review, German Club, Band, Marching Band, Orchestra, Choir, Chamber Choir, GUYS AND DOLLS, KISS ME KATE

VANDER MEEDEN, C. EDWARD — Co-op, Ski Club

VIELBIG, MARY — Women's Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball, Softball

WALKER, DIANA — Class Council, Women's Basketball, Lab Assistant, Interschool Council, Attendance Office

WALTERHOUSE, GRETCHEN — Band Majorette, Co-op, Breadlift

WASZKIEWICZ, SUZANNE — Women's Tennis Team, Concert Band, Marching Band, KISS ME KATE, German Club

WATTS, RUTH — Chorus, Attendance Office, Interschool Council

WATERS, GORDON — Construction Trades

WEBB, BRIAN — Band, Marching Band, Orchestra, GUYS AND DOLLS, Pep Band, Maroon & White Review

WESTLEY, MATHEW — Junior Varsity and Varsity Baseball, Junior Varsity Football, Varsity Hockey, Concern Staff

WHITE, ANITA — Grievance Committee, Co-op

WHITE, LARRY — Swimming Team

WILBUR, ROBERT — Football, Track

WILLIAMS, DAVID — Golf Team, Track, Lab Assistant

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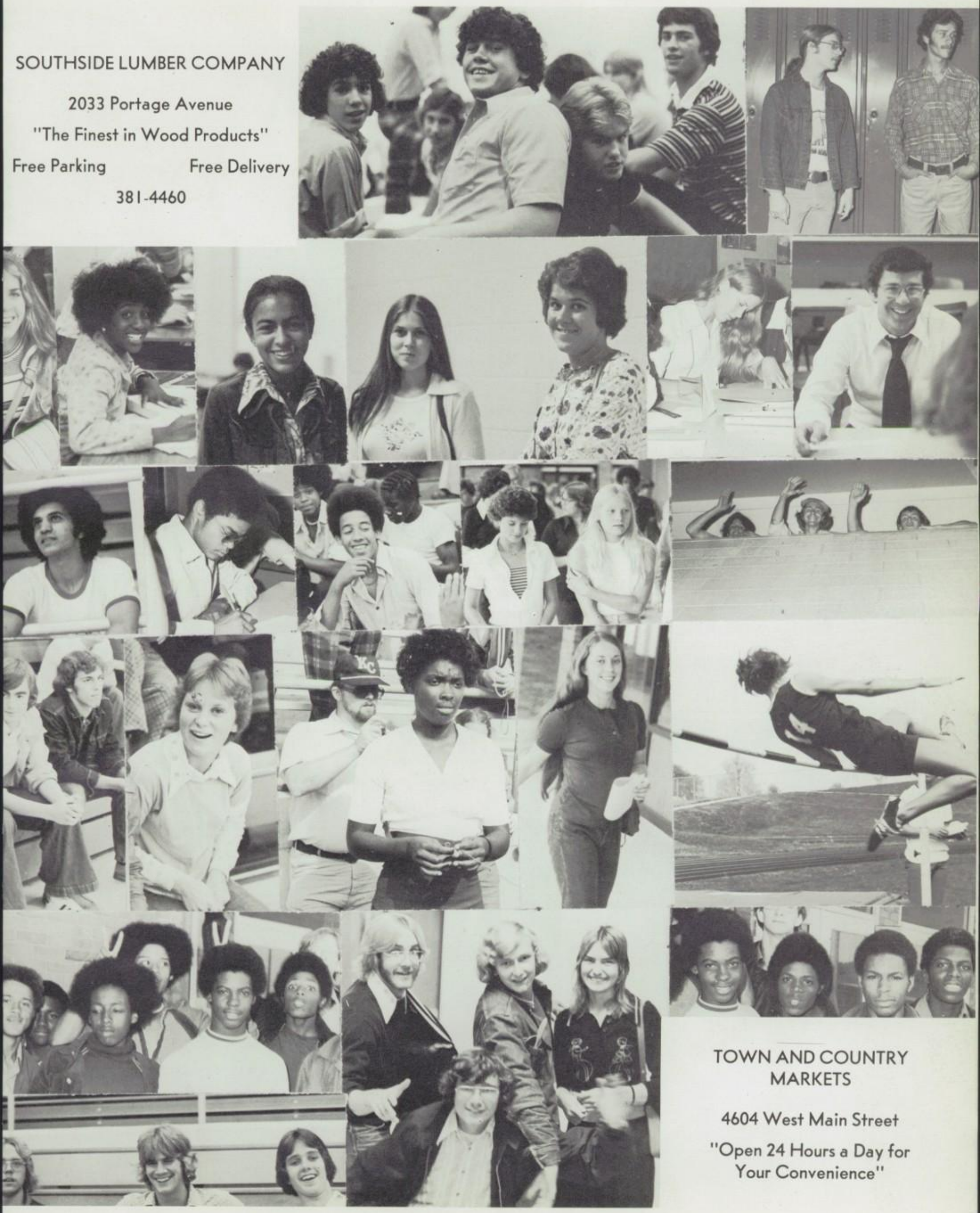

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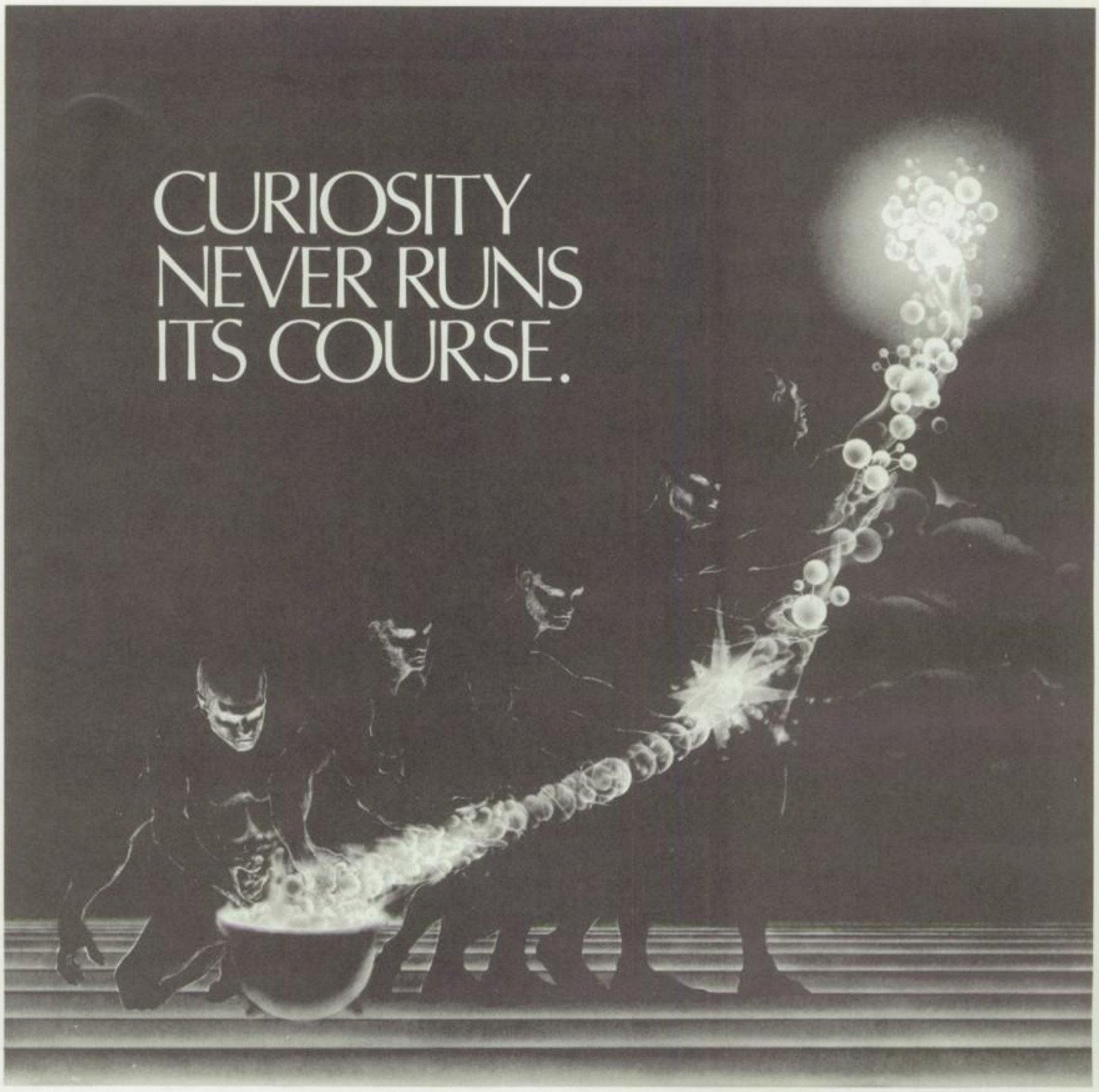

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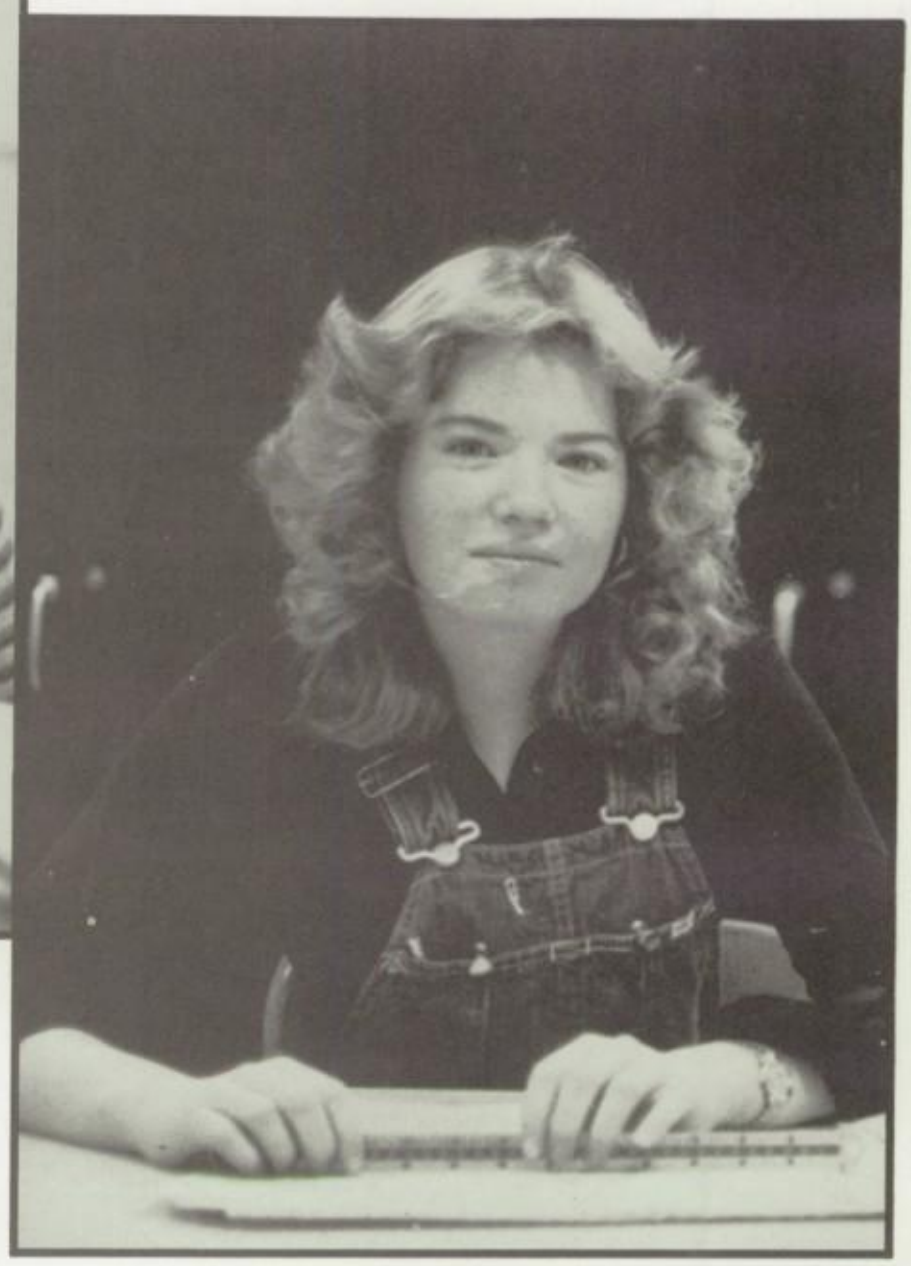

The Co-Editors of the 1976 Bicentennial Delphian Yearbook:
1: Teri Sue Husband. 2: Kathy Daly.

Here's to 1976, Central High, The Senior Class, the strongest academic graduating class, and to the future. We can look back to remember the accomplishments of this year. America is 200 years old and to help you in celebrating we have brought to you this 1976 Bicentennial Delphian in hopes you will enjoy it. Congratulations to the football team, and the seniors who brought the success, and the student body who gave their support. We have done our best to cover every area of school life and the activities. We the staff, worked to put the book together for your pleasure. We feel that without Mr. Bennett, this book would of never made it. We owe a lot to him. Special thanks to Mr. Haw and the rest of the Administration, Mr. Jim Thompson, our Taylor Representative, our photographers, and to the underclassmen who helped in identifying all the pictures.

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The Beginning Heritage

The history of the Kalamazoo public-school system hinges itself on our historic Indian Mounds, the finest Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in Michigan's history, a spectacular February fire, a World War II block-long scrap heap, and an 1879 earthquake nobody quite remembers.

Informal education in the Kalamazoo area probably started with the Mound Builders in the fifteenth century A.D. There were lots of mounds scattered throughout Kalamazoo County, but nobody knows for sure who built them or why. By the time the Potawatomis were settled in our valley in the late 1500's, the mounds had been here at least a hundred years.

When the first white man, French fur trader Robert Cavalier, passed through the valley in 1680, their history was already ancient legend in the lore of the tribes that lived here. We still do not know for sure what the mounds were used for. Some say, because they were always in a perfect circle, that they were burial grounds or religious places. But few artifacts, bones, or tools have ever been found in them to substantiate that claim, including the one in Bronson Park.

More than likely, the four-foot elevated circles were speaker's mounds where the nobles or chiefs of some ancient tribes stood and proclaimed the legends and history of their peoples. Hence, the first formal history lessons and stories and the first faint beginnings of education came to the green-wooded river, grassland, and forest that was to become known as the Valley of Kalamazoo.

In the 1500's and 1600's, education as we know it held a low priority. Most of the efforts of the natives were aimed at survival. One strong tradition held at the time was that most of the Indians in this area were suspected of being pro-French and that they fought against the English at the Siege of St. Joseph (Detroit) in 1763.

When the American settlers began to migrate into the area in the early 1800's, the traditional anti-English posture of the natives was still etched into the memories of many of the older settlers. Although the Indians were no longer supporting the French and their alliances had long been dissolved — in fact, they were quite friendly to the new settlers — their past history and cultural differences made the early Americans very uneasy.

The Potawatomis that lived in our valley were nomadic and had no notion of land-property ownership. For them, no one owned the forests, and the farming instincts of our first settlers must have seemed very odd indeed. Being migratory with the fowl and game, they had no notion of sanitation as we know it. They built their forest wooden dwellings where the deer were, dumped personal litter outside their huts, and when the village was unbearable they simply moved on. After all, the forest went on forever. The early American settlers, with their European sense of cleanliness and work ethic, frowned on this, and the cultural gap was deep between them.

Still, there was room for everybody in the beginning. In all of the Michigan Territory in the early 1800's, there were no more than 15,000 Indians in the whole state, and they were scattered over a wide area. Smallpox and measles reduced that number by 1840.

When our forefathers came to this rich prairie, they made it a point to move the Indians out. Around 1840, after our local tribes had signed a treaty that robbed them of their land, a man named Rice was given the unhappy duty of moving them out of our area. The Potawatomis were herded together near our present Amtrak railroad station, lined up, packed up, and literally escorted out of the county — south and west to the western side of the Mississippi River.

Pioneer Schools: 1833-1848

Michigan was accepted into the Union on January 26, 1837. During these years, our forefathers turned to constructing a village and solidifying the culture in the area. In 1829, a man named Titus Bronson wandered into the little prairie that lies by our river and, with a dream of founding a settlement, established his home. He aptly named it Bronson. Although the original hamlet had his name, later settlers — who did not like Titus very well — renamed the village Kalamazoo, after the river that runs through the area. In a huff, Titus Bronson moved west to Rock Island, Illinois, where he died in 1853.

The first school in Kalamazoo was a log — and earth — slab affair, built long before the Indians left in 1833. The village at its beginnings consisted of forty or fifty log dwellings on the Kalamazoo River, just north of the now defunct Consumers Power plant near the East Main bridge. That first school was located on the south side of South Street, between Burdick and Henrietta Streets; it was said to have been built on a site initially set aside for a burial ground, but which was never used for that purpose. Eliza Coleman was the first teacher. The little dwelling was also a circuit court and a church. In 1848, the first brick schoolhouse was built near the junction of Kalamazoo Avenue and East Main Street, just west of Walbridge Street. It cost $600.00.

The Early Years 1851 - 56

In 1851, the districts outside the village limits fell under the jurisdiction of the village trustees and became the School District of Kalamazoo. Nathaniel Balch was the first Superintendent of Schools. There were four one-room schoolhouses and 924 children in the district. Only 200 of the children actually went to school.

In 1850, the settlement had 2,507 people; in 1853, there were 3,093. Each year the number went up. So in 1853 the old Baptist Church at Rose and Church Streets were divided into two rooms, and the first graded school in Kalamazoo was born. Ominously, by 1855 many of the students were growing close to high-school age, and there was no place in the district to educate them.

As in most lumbering, farming, and trading communities where life was sustained by physical toil, there was no great landslide for formal education. So men like Dwight May, Frank Little, and Daniel Putnam began to pressure the community into building a high school.

There was heavy resistance. One problem was that two thirds of all the voters in the district had to agree on a site. To get two thirds of the electorate to agree on anything was nearly impossible, so the trustees of the village simply bought 5 acres on the corner of South Westnedge and Vine Streets from Arad C. Balch for $6,500. The first high school would be built on this land. Later buildings would go up, but always on the same 5 acres until 1960, when a new sister high school, Loy Norrix, was erected on the southern border of Kalamazoo City.

Daniel Putnam was perhaps our first visionary and superlative superintendent. In 1856, our town was an agrarian trading post with some growing logging industry and celery, onion, and lettuce farming on the deep black soil that lay to the north and west of the river. Putnam placed continual stress on his fellow townsmen, through speeches and editorials, that all the children in the village and surrounding areas should be educated. Objections from farmers who wanted the children in the fields were considerable.

Putnam was clearly ahead of his time. He introduced grading of students, advanced courses, coeducational classes, academic departments, and a graduated system of education beginning from the primary grades through intermediate to high school.

"(Daniel) Putnam was clearly ahead of his time."

The Kalamazoo Case

"(This) decision became the rule of law throughout the land."

With the help of the trustees, Putnam built the first Union High School in 1858 — where the Vine Elementary School now stands — for $8,000. Eight students graduated from the first Central High School senior class in 1863.

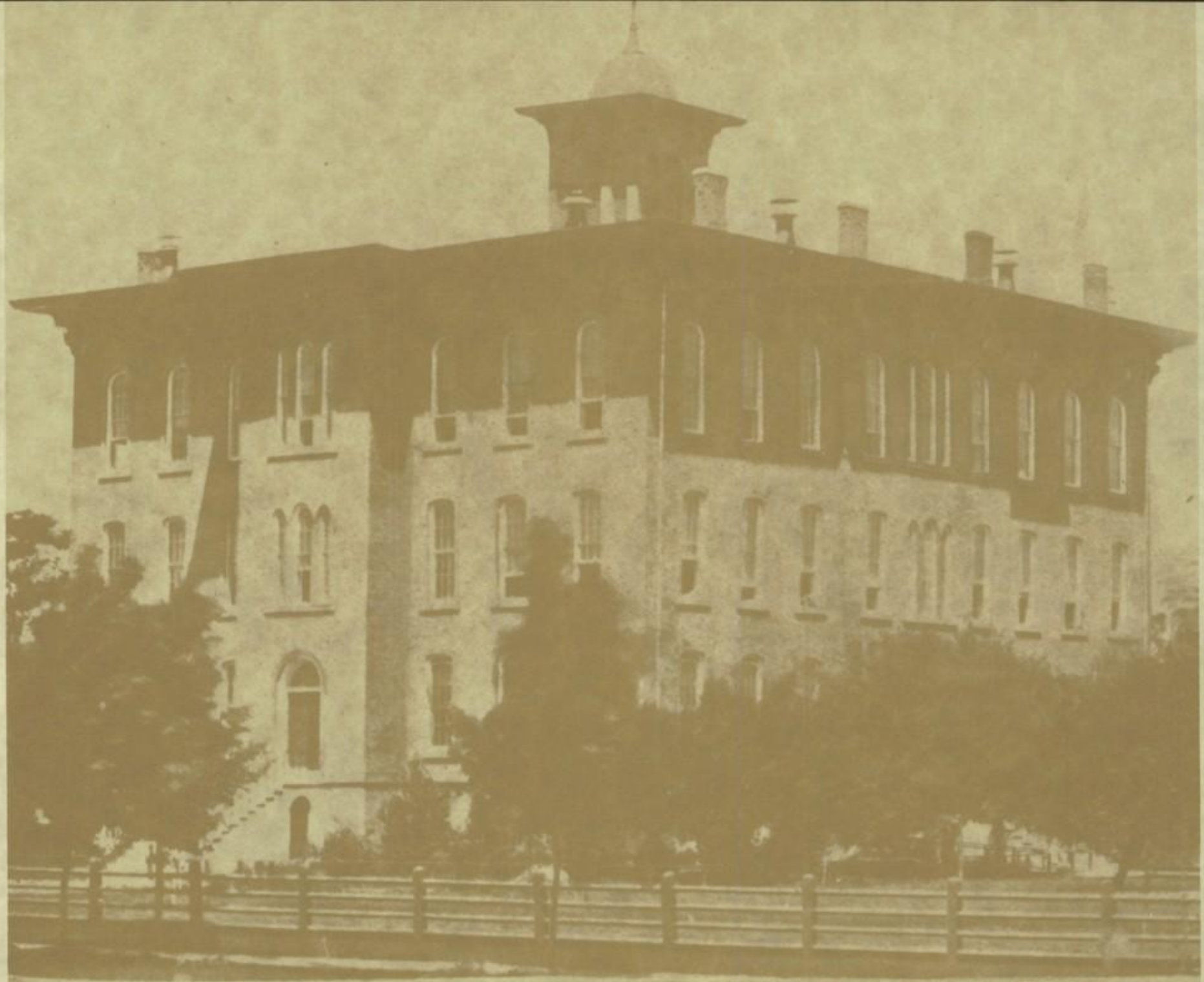
Although primary education had traditionally been paid by taxes assessed on the community, a high school was an educational luxury. No one had to go to school beyond the sixth grade. The citizens of the district were under no obligation to pay for a new high school through tax monies. For many citizens, high schools and colleges were suspected of only educating the rich. Farmers and tradesmen did not learn their trades in school. They learned them at work. What good was it to learn Latin, botany, and algebra, anyway? The community did not take the building of this new school lightly.

The cost of building the institution was to be paid by the taxpayers not by floating bonds, as was the custom, but by direct taxation. Editorials in the KALAMAZOO TELEGRAPH blasted the tax, saying that it would paralyze industry and raise taxes to 2 percent of the assessed valuation of the district. Many citizens were outraged. But after grumbling, they paid the taxes. Still, they were not happy, and the whole business festered for over ten years.

Some twelve years later, in 1873, a bill of complaint was filed in Kalamazoo Circuit Court by a group of citizens, asking the township treasurer not to pay the school tax for the high school. Petitioners, represented by U.S. Senator Charles Stuart, contended that taxes for primary education up to the eighth grade were acceptable, but the law did not authorize the collection of taxes for a high school.

Circuit Judge Charles R. Brown handed down the decision upholding the school board on February 9, 1874. It was immediately appealed to the Michigan State Supreme Court. On July 21, 1874, perhaps the greatest justice ever to sit on the High Bench of Michigan, Thomas M. Cooley, wrote his opinion after careful survey of Michigan's constitution and laws: there was a purpose to establish a continuing system of education in the state from the primary grades straight up to the university; a high school was an integral part of that system.

Cooley's decision became the rule of law throughout the nation, partly because of the fame of the justice. Daniel Putnam was superintendent and principal of Union High during all of these years. The 1858 school board which decided to take this momentous step had men on it named Walker, Winslow, Woodbury, Thomas, Dodge, and Bixby. The men may have slipped our memories, but what they did has not. Their first step helped legitimize secondary-school education across this country and, through taxation for secondary schools, institutionalized the right of every citizen in this country to get a total, complete high-school education.



KALAMAZOO UNION SCHOOL BUILDING—From a Photograph by Porter & Packard, Artists, Kalamazoo, 1866.

The first high school built in Kalamazoo was the Old Union. It was over this school that the famous Kalamazoo Case was fought. This photo was taken in 1866. The building was torn down in 1880.

First High School

The Old Union High School by our present standards, was large and plain — a big, square block of a building with some fake Italian filigree around the outside and a large cupola on the top. It was revolutionary for its time. It had two long bisecting halls which divided the school into quarters. Including the basement, there were four floors. All floors were used to educate all levels, from primary right up through high school. Each floor had specific rooms for specific departments: library, recitation rooms (two of which held up to 200 people), four rooms for primary students, and departmental rooms.

It was easily one of the highest buildings in the small village. It could be seen as far away as the river. In addition, the concept of separate rooms for separate classes was brand new in 1858, and Union High was much imitated throughout the state of Michigan.

The building was condemned in 1879. As early as 1875, editorials had appeared in the KALAMAZOO TELEGRAPH warning that it was unsafe. There were accounts of an earthquake in 1879 having put cracks in upper floors, and, of course, vandalism over the years had taken its toll; so in 1880 it was torn down.

OPPOSITE PAGE: (Top) This was the drafting room in our first high school. Note the defunct gas light fixtures, which were replaced by electric lights, and that the students all wore suits, at least for this picture. (Center) The weaving of cloth was important in the mid-1800's. Hence the weaving room at Old Union. (Bottom) A look at the cooking room at Old Union.

Minority Groups

As far as the history books tell us from 1840 until the 1850's, minorities (blacks, Indians) were either not mentioned or did not attend school. We do know that a segregated 50-student school for minorities was started in 1861, and existed until 1871 at a building at North and Walbridge Streets. Pressure from the community and some legal difficulty stopped the separation. Students from that school were transferred to a newer school on Frank Street on October 18, 1872; after that, no overt attempt to segregate the children was made in the school system.

The Centennial

By the first centennial year, 1876, Kalamazoo Public Schools had over 40 teachers and 1,500 students. Beginning from about this time, the school system fought a series of never-ending battles to keep ahead of the increasing student enrollments, which were not to end until almost our bicentennial. A second 400-student Union High School was built on the same spot in 1881 for $20,000, and was enlarged in 1891. But seven years later - on February 1, 1897 — the building caught fire and, in a spectacular blaze, burned to the ground.

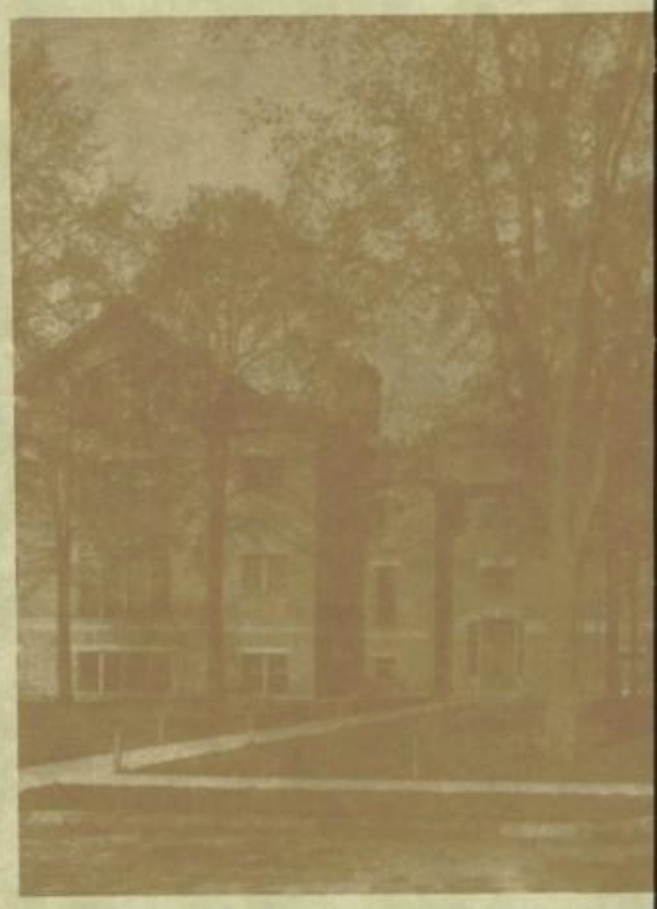
In 1898, a new high school was built next to the rubble of the Union High building. The new school faced Vine Street. It was during this period, in 1899, that Kalamazoo became the first city in Michigan to establish manual training. Evening school had been started the year before. Also, in 1904 a school for the deaf was started. An interesting sidelight is that 1899 was the first year of the Central High football team; they had a record of 4-1-1 that year. Between 1905 and 1907, Central High claimed two state championships in football; the teams were coached by Herbert W. ("Buck") Read, who would later go on to sports fame at Western Michigan Normal College.

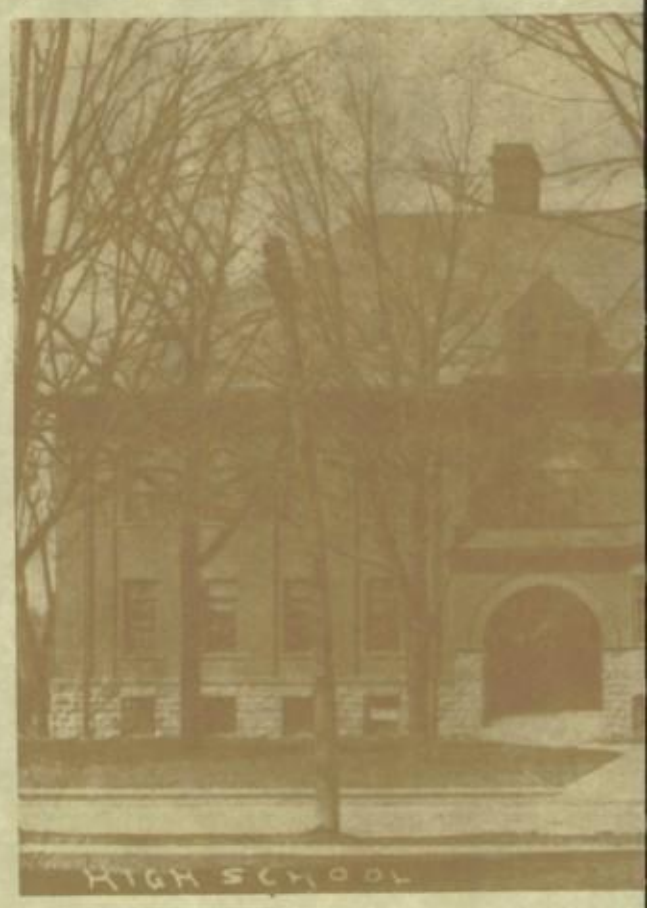
It would not be until seventy years later in 1975 that Central High School would have another unbeaten, untied season in football. In that year Coach Jim Long led the finest football team in the school's history to a 9-0 record, a 4th-place finish in the state Associated Press poll, and a semi-finalist berth in Michigan's first statewide football tournament.

In 1913, the school district added a gymnasium and a manual training center to Central High, and a second addition was completed in 1920. The 1920 addition meant tearing down the 1898 building, and replacing it with a newer building which faced Dutton and Westnedge Streets. A new cultural auditorium housed almost all of Kalamazoo's cultural activities and was refurbished in the 1950's. It has since been renamed Chenery Auditorium, after a well-known drama teacher and civic leader — Howard Chenery.

Most of the people brought up in Kalamazoo between 1891 and 1960 graduated from the original Vine Street or Dutton/Westnedge addition. Presently, the building houses the Community Education Center.

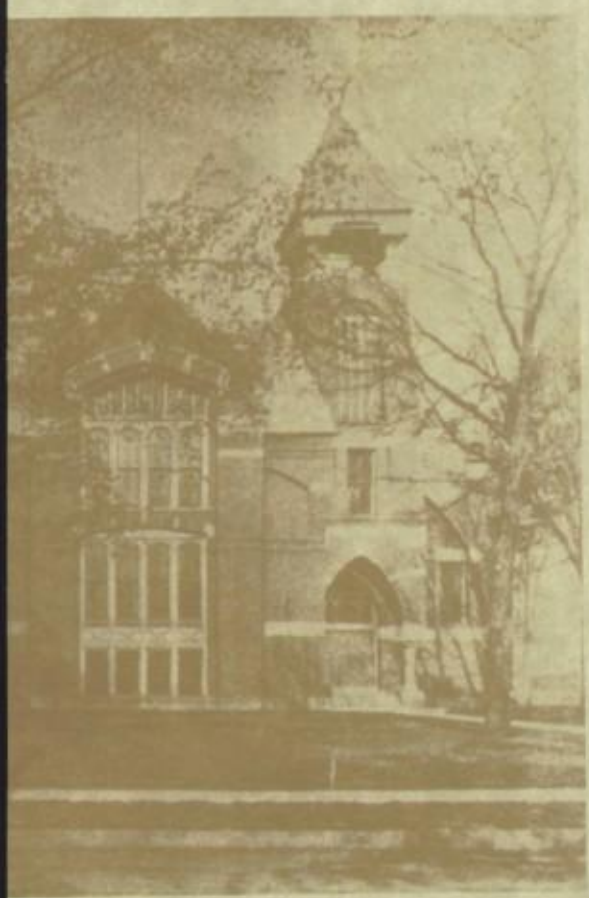
A New Century

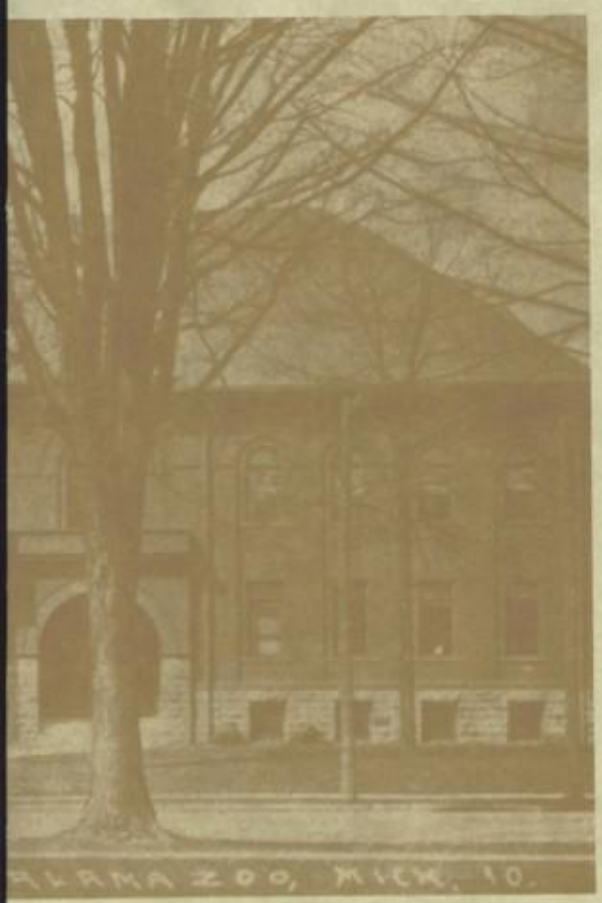


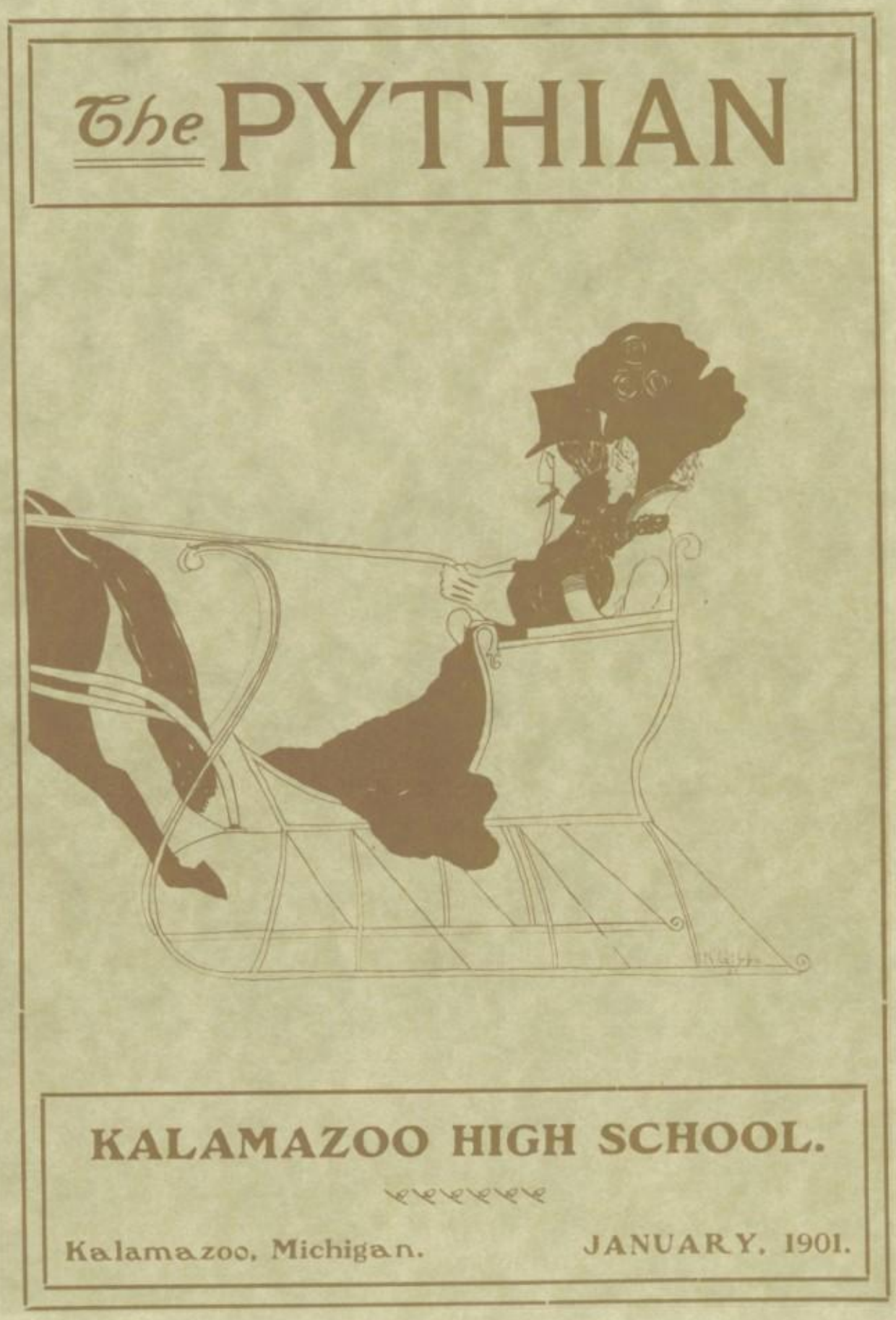


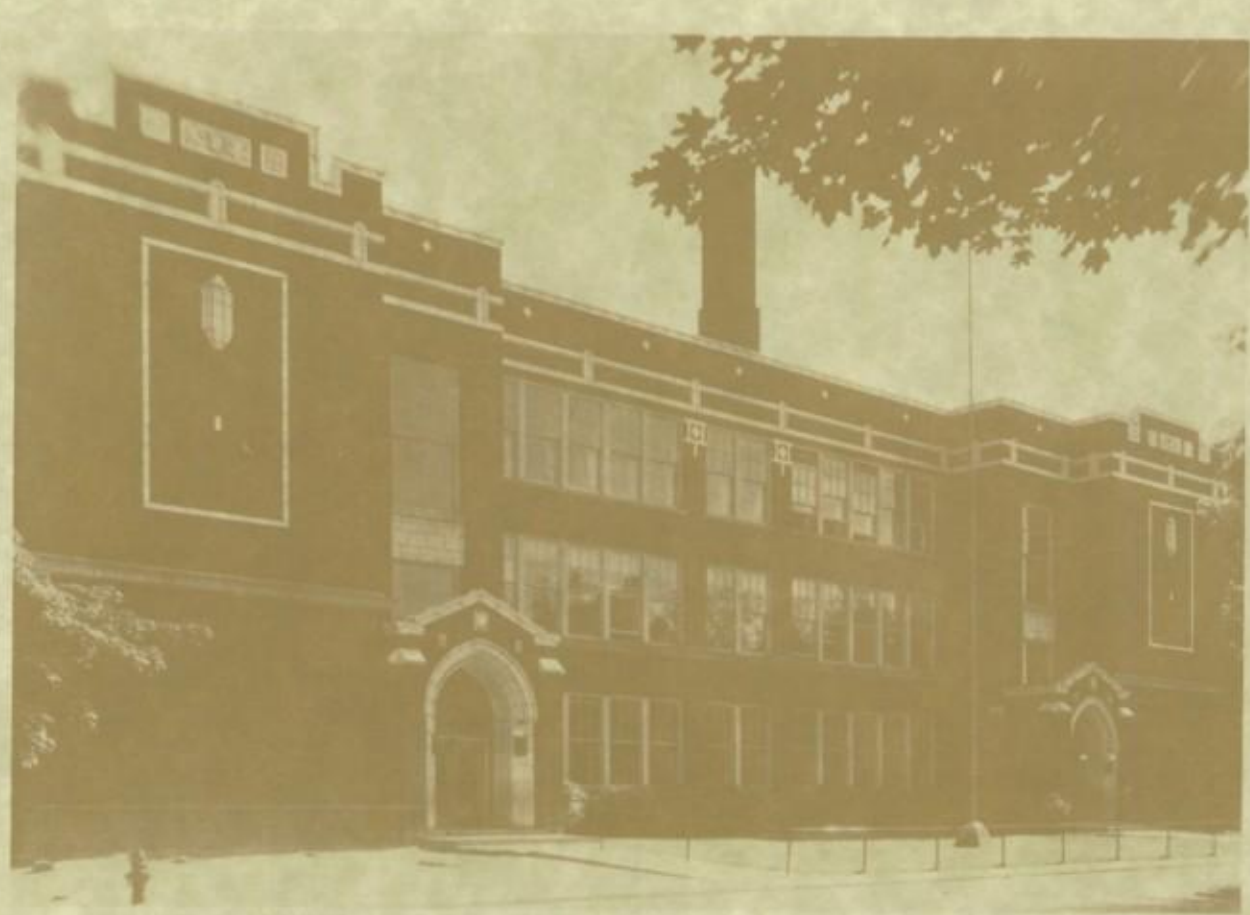
The Golden Years

OPPOSITE PAGE: (Top) The first Central High football team — 1899. Their record was 4-1-1. Player #15 is Buck Read, later to become one of the finest coaches in Michigan history. (Center) These young women were the cast of CHS's 1902 operetta Ponhalan. The dramatic Indian costumes were more fantasy than fact. (Bottom) Central High women, class of 1900. Note the high collars, ruffles, and swept-back hair styles. THIS PAGE: (Center) This high school replaced Old Union in 1881. It was destroyed by fire in 1887. Classes met at the YMCA until a replacement could be built. (Bottom) The replacement building for the fire-ravaged CHS. It was torn down in 1913 to make way for the present Old Central, which, since 1969, has served as the Community Education Center. (Below) This is the cover of the first literary magazine published at Central High School. The original cover was done in maroon and white.

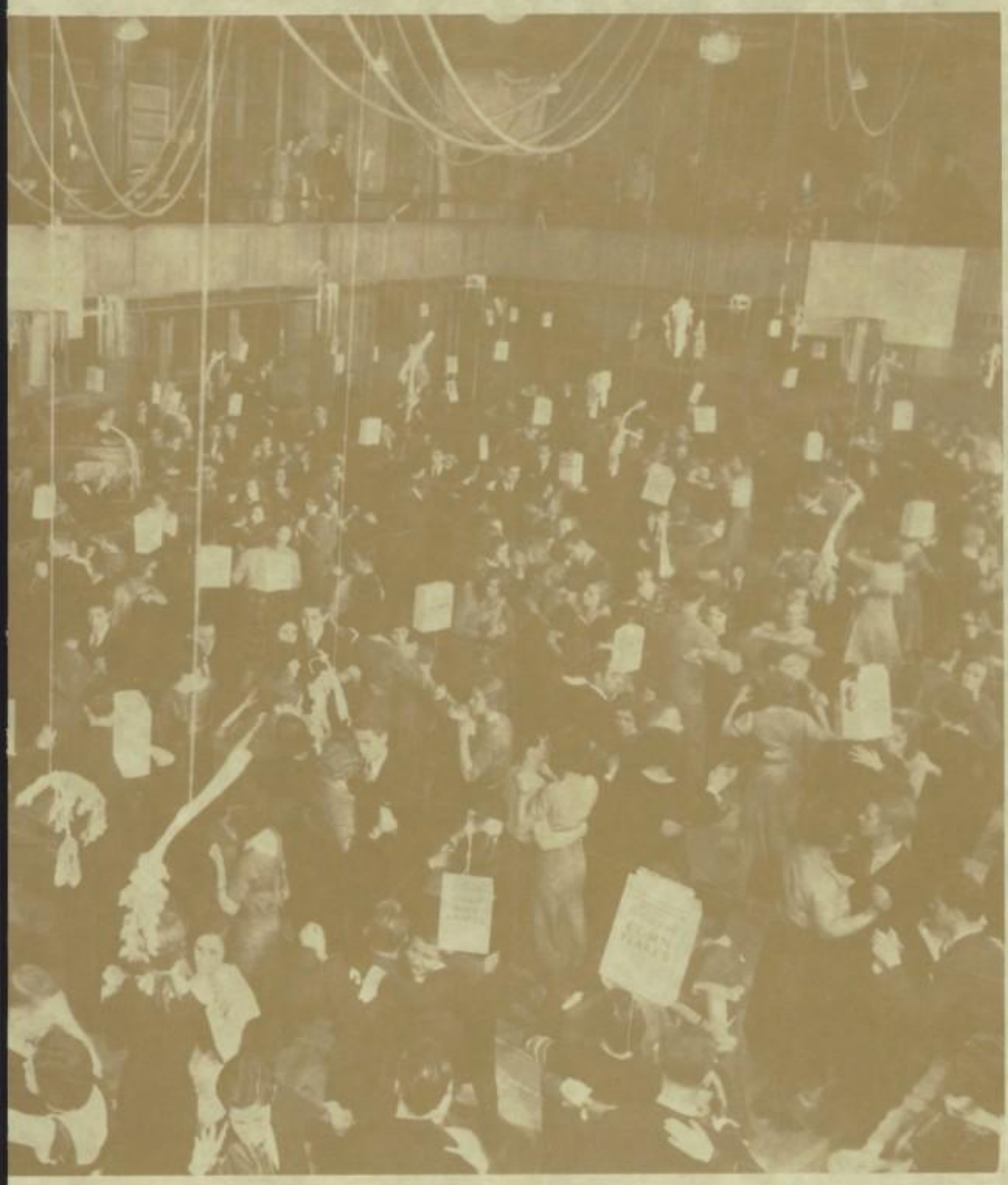








(Top) Washington Elementary School. During the 1920's this school and eighteen others would be built by the KPS to house an ever-increasing enrollment. (Center) The Junior Class — 1932. Many of these quiet, earnest students are grandparents of present Central High students. (Bottom) This was the women's basketball team, c. 1930. Gym clothes have not changed much over the years. (Above Right) This was the chemistry lab at Central High, c. 1930. The students are busy completing their lab work. (Right) This was the Battle Creek vs. Central High pep dance, 1931. If you look closely you can see the Kellogg cereal boxes and bits of celery hanging from strings. Kalamazoo was known as the Celery City until the early '50's.



Era of Burgeoning Enrollment 1921-38

By 1927, due to huge enrollment increases, the Kalamazoo Public Schools — in a gigantic spurt of building — established fourteen new schools and educated a growing pupil population of over 12,000 students. These are some of the schools that were built or acquired as additions in that period, most of which are in operation today:

1921 — Milwood Elementary
Washington Elementary (and Junior High)
Woodward Elementary (and Junior High)

1922 — Harding Elementary
Lincoln Elementary
Parkwood Elementary

1923 — Edison Elementary

1924 — McKinley Elementary
Vine Street Elementary (and Junior High)

1926 — Hillcrest Elementary
West Main Elementary

1927 — Westnedge Elementary

1929 — Woodrow Wilson Elementary

As 1929 came to a close, the Kalamazoo public-school system had expanded far beyond what our forefathers could have envisioned, and incorporated some surrounding school districts. But the growing was not over. Four additional schools would go up in the 1930's before the first big building boom would stop: Burke Acres Elementary, in 1931; Brucker Elementary, in 1932; Lakewood Elementary, in 1938; also in 1938, the Harold Upjohn School for the Handicapped was opened. The Upjohn School was, and still is, one of the finest of its kind in the State of Michigan. It is used as a model of educational innovation for handicapped children.

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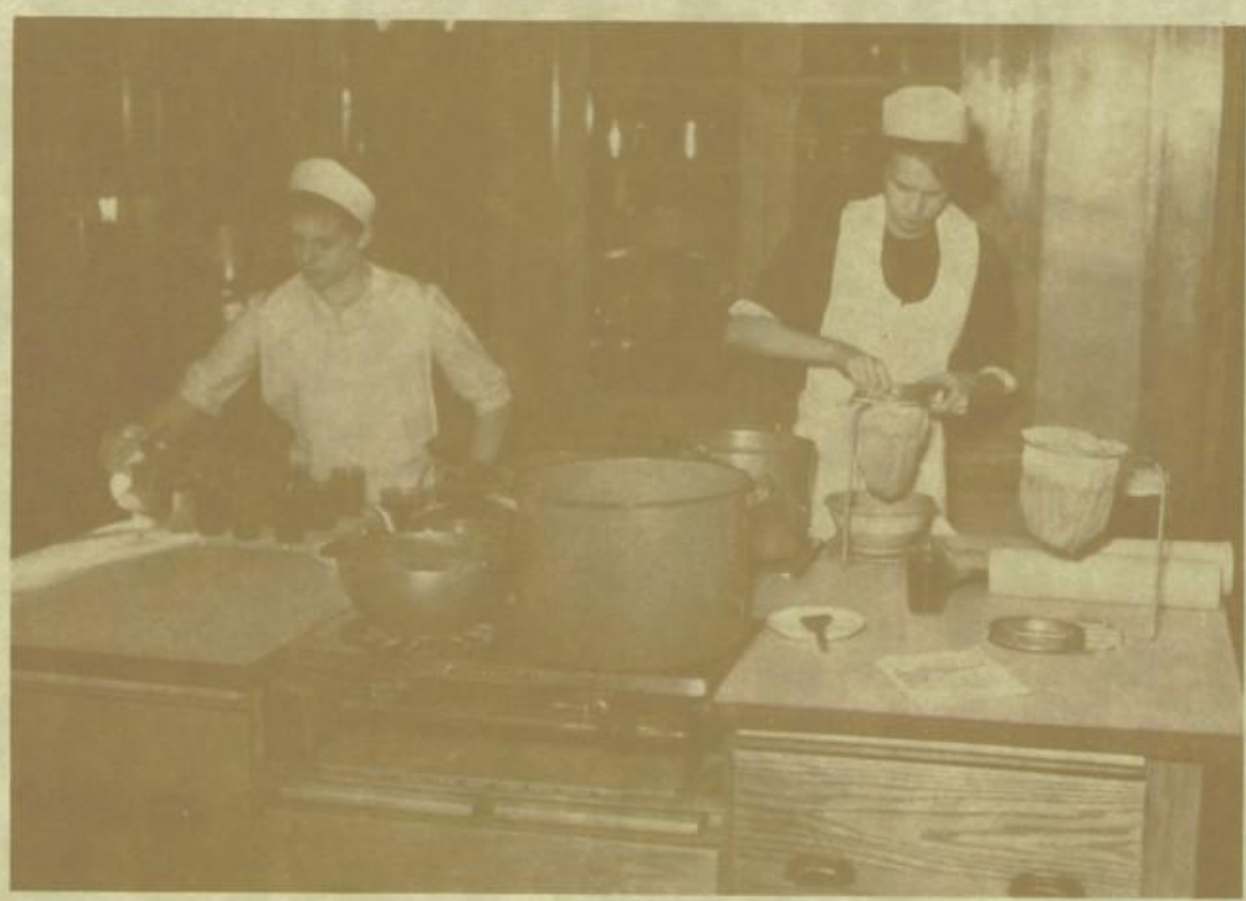
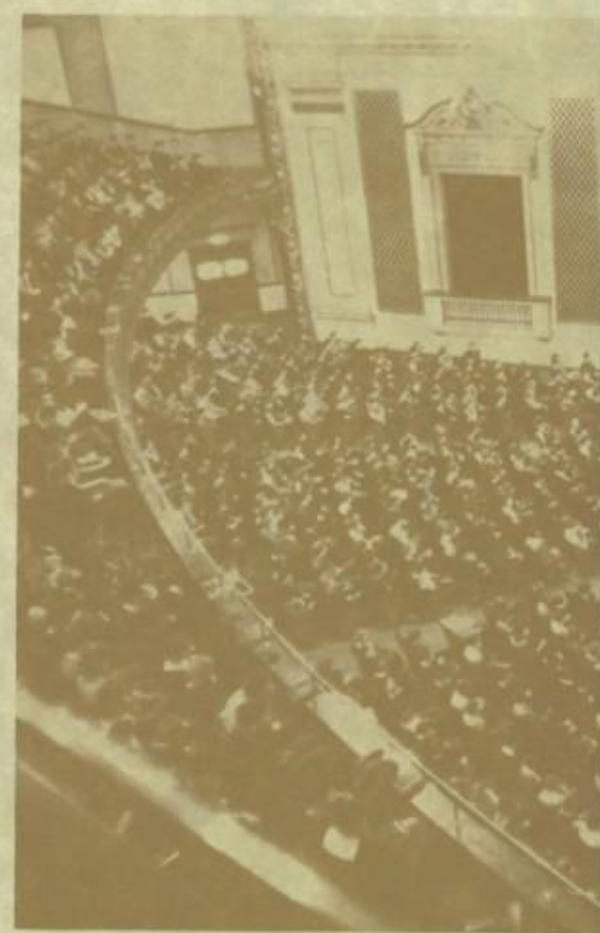
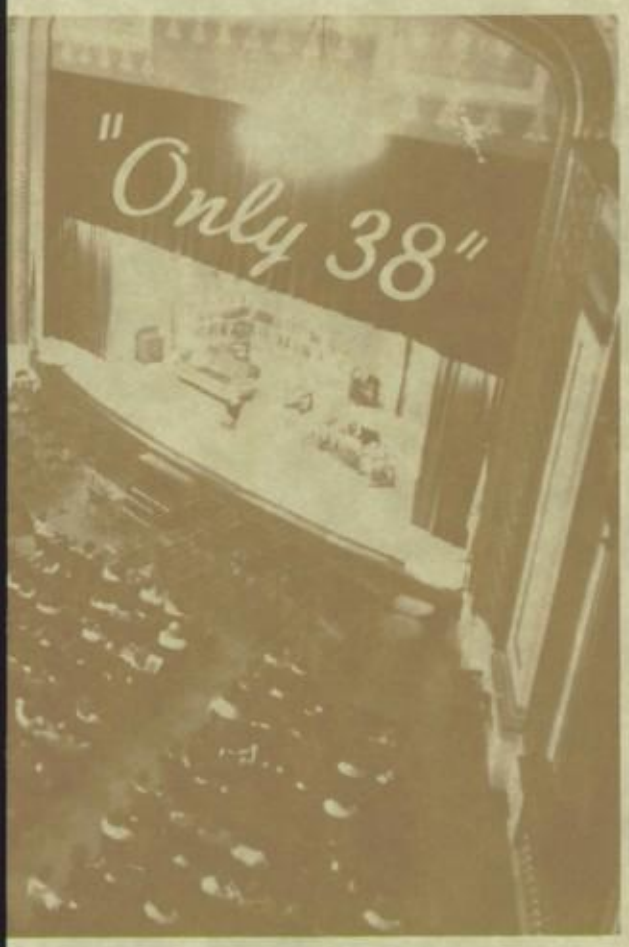




(Above) The cooking class at Central. The strainers used for canning in 1936 were like those used today in the canning process. (Top Right) This is how the CHS auditorium looked in 1938. It was renovated in the 1950's and since the early '70's has been called Chenery Auditorium. It is still one of the cultural centers of our city. (Center Right) This was the Harold Upjohn School for the Handicapped as it looked when it first opened in June, 1938. It is still one of the leading schools in the country for handicapped children. (Right) This was part of the mountainous pile of scrap assembled by CHS students in 1942 to help with the war effort. It took two weeks to haul the stuff away! OPPOSITE PAGE: Dr. Loy Norrix, Superintendent of Schools, 1938-1958.



Further Growth: 1938 - 50

From 1936 until his death in January, 1958, the man who guided the helm of the Kalamazoo Public Schools was Dr. Loy Norrix. He held the position of superintendent longer than anyone else in the history of the system. During his twenty-plus years of service, Dr. Norrix made an indelible impression on the academic character and physical expansion of our schools.

It was during his administration (during World War II) that the famous Westnedge scrap heap was assembled. It seems that the KALAMAZOO GAZETTE in October, 1942, sponsored a scrap drive for the war effort. Central High students assembled over 200 tons of the stuff and totally blocked off Westnedge Avenue from Vine Street to South Street. It took two weeks to cart away all the junk, sort it, and send it to the appropriate areas for melting down.

There was a calm during the war years, and the school system's student population stabilized. Central's contribution to the war effort was high. A total of 116 young men from Kalamazoo died fighting for our country during that period of time. All had gone to Central High School.

Five years after the war, however, Dr. Norrix once again found his schools bursting. The postwar "baby boom" began to hit, and the enrollment soared. To keep up with the pressure, the following schools were built during this period:

1951 — South Junior High
1952 — Oakwood Junior High
Westwood Elementary
1953 — Chime Elementary
Northeastern Junior High
1954 — Greenwood Elementary
1955 — Lindbergh Elementary
Peter Pan School
1956 — Grand Prairie Elementary
Spring Valley Elementary
1958 — Hillside Junior High
Pleasant Park School

After Dr. Norrix's death, long-time Assistant Superintendent Daniel Heathcote was appointed superintendent and served in that capacity from January, 1958, until his own retirement in July of that year.

Superintendents Thomas Bowman and Richard Percy headed the school system in the 1960's (1958-1961 and 1961-1968, respectively). Percy, a favorite educator among the teachers, guided the building programs that were inspired and initiated by Norrix, Bowman, and Heathcote and brought them to fruition. The following buildings were erected during this period.

1959 — Indian Prairie Elementary
Kalamazoo Public Library
Milwood Junior High
Northglade Elementary
Winchell Elementary
1960 — Administration Building
Fairview Elementary
Loy Norrix High School
1963 — Oakwood Elementary
1964 — Arcadia Elementary
1965 — John F. Kennedy School

Two New High Schools

A sister high school to Central was built in 1960. It was named after Dr. Loy Norrix. Architecturally, it is one of the most stunningly beautiful high schools in the country today. Its dramatic use of glass, its light open space; its integrated setting into a lovely 50-acre site; its dramatic educational pod design; and its open spacious corridors: these features make it one of the most delightful yet functional institutions in the system. The pod design was created so that an entire yearly class of students could occupy one pod (except for the shop classes, resource center, and auditorium). But the reality of running a high school made this idea too difficult to implement.

Over the last fifteen years, Loy Norrix has developed a tradition of education all its own. There have been only three principals since its opening: Elwood Griffith, Dr. Joseph Serra, and Jack Blanke who is principal today. The stadium at Loy Norrix is called Griffith Stadium, after the first principal.

Central High has had twenty-five principals since its inception, beginning with Daniel Putnam, Shattuck O. Hartwell, Dr. Charles Fisher, and William F. Head. The longest term of a Central High principal was held by William Head, who began his administrative service in 1926. He remained until ill health made him resign in 1945. His distinguished career as teacher and administrator totaled forty-nine years, with twenty-nine of them at Central High.

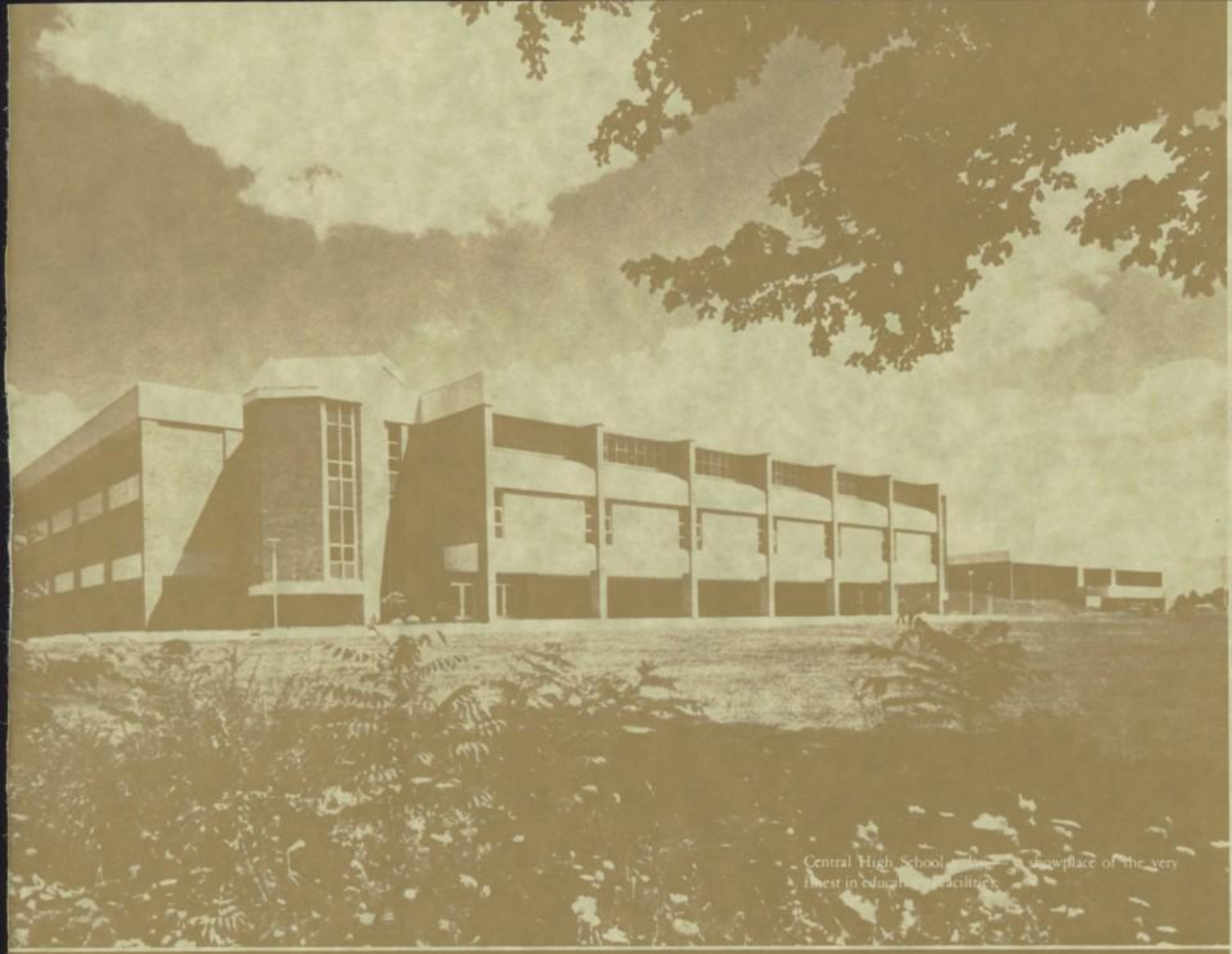
Head was followed by Eugene Thomas, a man who was both an educator and a civic leader. While he was principal at Central High, the school's basketball team won three consecutive state championships (1949, 1950, and 1951) under Coach Bobby Quiring.

Over the last ten years, Central High School's principals have been John Dunn, Henry Goodwyn, and Richard Haw. Each has contributed to the upholding of the traditionally high professional standards of leadership in education.

In 1968, plans were conceived for a new Central High School. Under the guidance of Superintendent John R. Cochran, work was completed on the 303,000-square-foot facility by the end of 1970. The new school is an impressive one. Fully air-conditioned for year-round education, it contains an Olympic-sized pool, three gymnasiums, a sunken athletic stadium (named after Eugene Thomas), a resource- media center, an expanded industrial arts wing, and thoroughly modern classrooms for academic subjects. It is spacious, well designed, and could easily be expanded as the need arises.

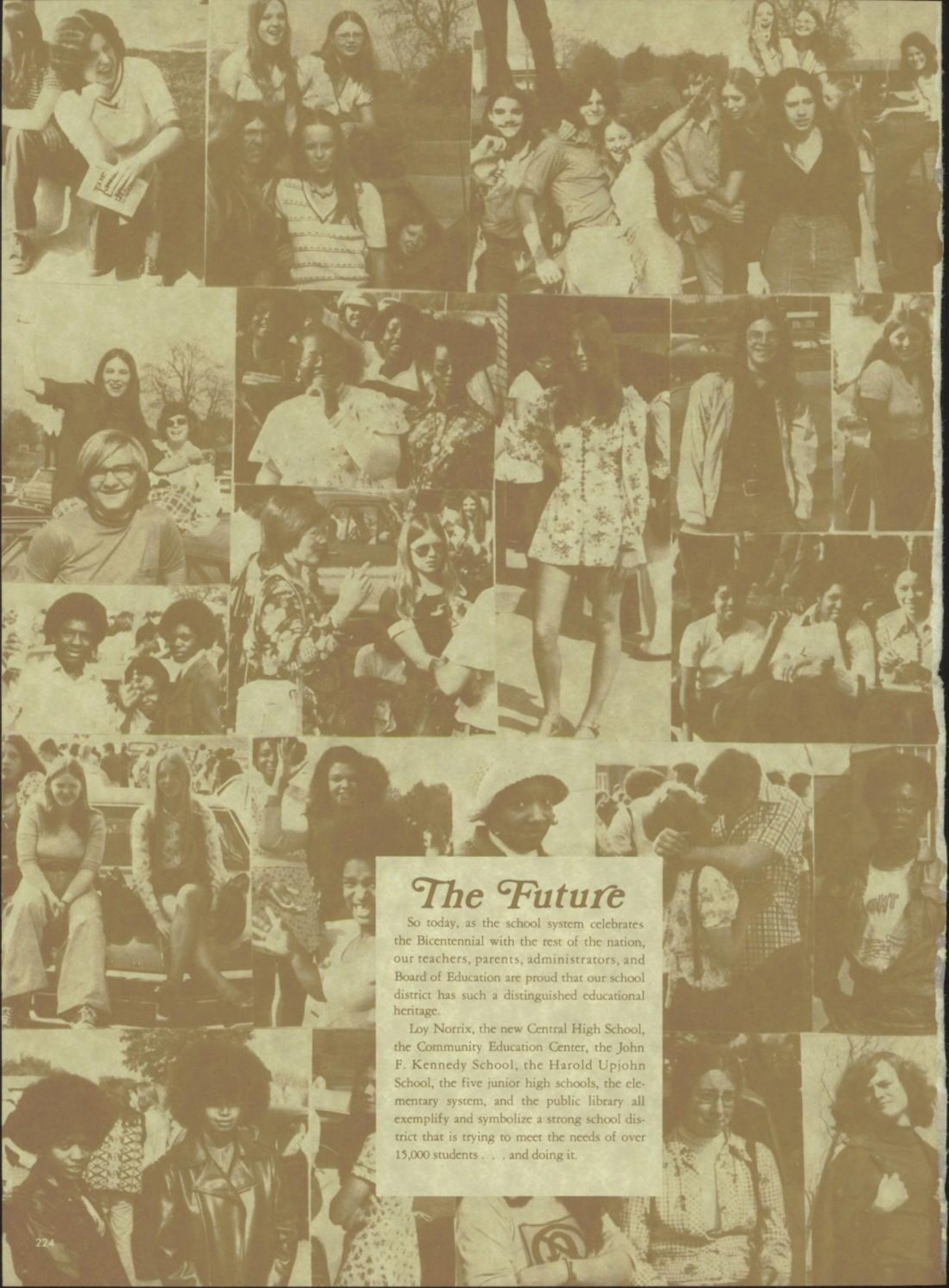
The new Central High School on Drake Road was opened to classes for the first time in January, 1971; the dedication took place on May 7, 1972, with Principal L. Henry Goodwyn and Superintendent William Coats presiding.

(Top) The CHS women's swim team, c. 1953. The swim suits have changed but the smiles have not. (Top Right) Old Central High School. More than 20,000 Kalamazoo citizens graduated from this building between 1913 and 1972. For many it will always be "the" Central High School. (Center) Behind the desk are two KPS superintendents of the 1960's — Dr. Richard Percy and Dr. John Cochran.



Central High School — showplace of the very finest in educational facilities.

Loy Norrix High School, 1960 — a new tradition in education for the School District of Kalamazoo.



The Future

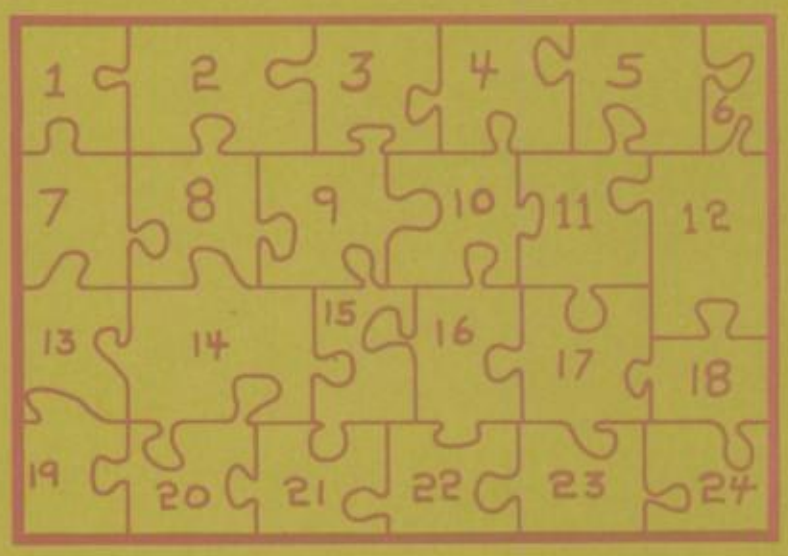
So today, as the school system celebrates the Bicentennial with the rest of the nation, our teachers, parents, administrators, and Board of Education are proud that our school district has such a distinguished educational heritage.

Loy Norrix, the new Central High School, the Community Education Center, the John F. Kennedy School, the Harold Upjohn School, the five junior high schools, the elementary system, and the public library all exemplify and symbolize a strong school district that is trying to meet the needs of over 15,000 students . . . and doing it.

Dearest Cindy, we finally made it! Do you believe it? I sure the hell do! where do I start? It's like I've never had a best friend before until you. You understand me more than anyone could imagine. You don't laugh at the little things that mean so much to me, you understand. The feelings I have for you cannot be expressed in mere words. Remember all the Friday nights, Elton on the jutebox, riden around, etc... mostly etc! I hope for you, more than any other soul on this earth that life treats you the best, kindness, & fineness; you deserve it. Don't let the world get you down; remember I'm here to cheer you up, love you, & help you through it. You will get him someday Cindy & I wish you all the happiness, peace, & harmony. Good luck in everything; life, friendships, career, etc... I think I'll miss you more than anyone when I leave. I hate to leave you, it makes me want to stay, & it makes me cry thinking of leaving you. It's been the greatest knowing you. Please keep in touch & please, please remember me. You're the best at loving, caring, sharing, cheering up & I've had the pleasure of doing the same for you. You just make me feel brand new. My love I'll never find the words my love to tell you how I feel my love mere words could not explain. Precious love you held my life within your hands, created everything I am, taught me how to live again. Only you cared when I needed a friend believed in this soul thick & thin this song is for you filled with grated to in love. God bless you, you make me feel brand new for god bless me with you make me feel brand new I sing this song for you, make me feel brand new. My love when ever I was insecure you built me up & made me sure you gave my pride back to me. Precious thing with you I'll always have a friend, Your someone who I can depend, to walk a path that sometimes end. Without you life has no meaning or rhymes like notes to a song out of time how can I repay you for having faith in me? God bless you, you make me feel brand new for god bless me with you you make me feel brand new I sing this song for you. You... I hope there'll always be a part of me in the corner of your mind. I hope I've touched your life & heart. Love forever,

Pam

The 1976 Bi-Centennial Delphian Yearbook Cover: Picture 1: Members of the Central High Football Team 2: The Central High Women's Softball Team 3: Cindy Hamilton, Karen Burns, Sue Penny, Rick Atkins, Cindy Gulbronsen 4: Tom Johnson, Mr. Ettwein 5: Dick Powell 6: Steve Redden 7: Rick Atkins, Craig Rowekamp, Greg Raklovits, Tim Grimwis 8: Kellee Walton, Jackie Chambers 9: Mr. Banghart, Al Wallace 10: Scene from "Kiss Me Kate" — Debbie Sweringa, Paul Nedervelt, Gina Ferraro, Valerie Lake 11: Benson Isaac, Albert Little, Tim Clysdale, Charles Brandon 12: Kay Barstow 13: The Central High Orchestra 14: Kim Rizzo, Ginger Lund, Laurie Rohs, Debbie Keene, Allison Marsh 15: Johnathon Schuck 16: Don Knoechel 17: Jennifer Bogart 18: Sarah Combs and Pierre Robert in "Kiss Me Kate" 19: Robert Long 20: Kathy DeGroat 21: Mr. Evans (Student Teacher) 22: Jim Marsh, Steve Smith 23: Christy Jones, Wendy Maxwell, Marcia Nieuwenhuis 24: Coach Vern Davis and Central Football Players.



Cindy
You are definately a nut!! I hope that we don't trip when we walk across that big stage at commencement! I hope you get a job at Upjohn before you become Vice-President. Good Luck always! '76 finally love,
Kathy MacDonald

Cindy—
How can I say what I feel. Our relationship has developed in such a way that its impossible for me to reveal my true feelings! I will have to admit that you're a "dandy" student & a big asset to the business field! Best of luck. "By the way, try to clean up your language — in the halls, classrooms & in the general public — not at all acceptable."
"A Teach"
V Callahan

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